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THE FAIR.

Our Great Inventory Sale!

After the rush and whirl of the past few weeks comes the general clearing up and inventory. That there has been some wreckage goes without saying, to those that witnessed the crowded condition of store for the two weeks and more before Christmas.

But what is our loss we mean to make your gain, especially will you find it so in **Toilet Sets** and **Dinner Sets.**

It needs very close inspection to find one imperfection and yet some of them have a nick or one piece gone, but in place of the nick you will find a large hole in the price and when one piece is missing two are gone from the price.

Until inventory is taken all perfect goods in these two departments can be bought at 10 per cent off.

THE SYNDICATE FAIR STORE,

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Other Stores—Carbondale, Pittston, Hazelton, Mahanoy City and Shamokin, Pa.

CUBANS ARE SORE

General Brooke Will Not Let Them Celebrate.

HE FEARS MORE DISTURBANCES

Meeting Held to Protest Against the Governor's Decision—Lawton Relinquishes Command at Huntsville to Start For Manila.

HAVANA, Dec. 30.—Yesterday morning a deputation, consisting of Dr. Juan F. Ofarrio, Frederico Mora, Angeo Cowley, Emiliano Nunez and Alpedo Zayas, waited upon General Ludlow to ask whether any portion of the projected programme might be carried out.

Senor Nunez, acting as the spokesman of the deputation, handed General Ludlow a written copy of a programme of six days' festivities. It provided for the following: On the first day a general ringing of bells, on the second a parade of Cuban soldiers followed by a dinner, on the third a civic procession, on the fourth public assemblages and speeches, on the fifth a carnival and on the sixth races between the American men-of-wars' boats. The programme called for fireworks and music every night.

Senor Cowley argued that General Ludlow need not fear disorders. He said that the people, who had long been oppressed, merely wished an opportunity for public rejoicing, and as the Americans were going to demonstrate, the Cubans wished to participate. He said that the affair in Bomba street cafe on Tuesday night and the stabbing of a Spanish policeman happened because the Spanish had evacuated the lowest portion of the city—always disorderly even in normal times—without giving the American troops notice, so that there was no authority in the district at the time. The Americans, he argued, ought not to conclude that the Cubans were turbulent on that account. If part of their programme, as advertised, were carried out, the population could not assume that there was any disagreement between the Cubans and Americans; if none of it was carried out, the populace might not understand the reason and might draw erroneous conclusions.

General Ludlow, who was very polite to the deputation, asked them to leave the programme with him and promised to give the matter careful consideration. After the deputation had withdrawn he conferred with General Brooke, and it was decided that it would be wiser not to allow any public manifestations on the part of the Cubans. General Ludlow prepared a written reply, pointing out the extreme need of maintaining order in the interests of the people of Cuba and the sympathy of the Americans with the desire of the Cubans to celebrate. He urged, however, that while this feeling was perfectly natural there was the danger of giving an opportunity to ill disposed or thoughtless persons to make trouble, which would harm the city's industrial and commercial interests. On all these grounds, concluded General Ludlow, it was expedient that there should be no general public display of feeling. This general order will be executed as regards Cuban soldiers as well as United States troops.

A joint meeting of the committees of the various Cuban societies was held yesterday afternoon at the Irijoa theater to discuss the situation. The proceedings were private, but it was decided to endeavor to prepare hastily a petition, to be signed by business firms in Havana, requesting General Brooke to allow the demonstration. This feature of the proceedings is the only one made public.

It is reported, however, that most of those present advised that all Cuban flags be taken down on Jan. 1 and the day made a day of mourning, the Cubans carefully keeping away from the Americans. The minority, on the other hand, urged that it would be better to learn and to trust the Americans and to wait and see how their policy would work out.

Senor Perfecto Lacoste, who presided at the meeting, is said to have expressed his views on this wise:

"I am satisfied that the Americans do not understand us, and their moral position is essentially weak. Instead of saying to us, 'Go ahead and have all the pleasure you want in an innocent way, and, if you fight and destroy property, expect to be punished,' they suppress the natural enthusiasm of our people, forbidding free assemblage, free speech in public and all other methods of expressing our delight at the advent of new conditions. For years we have suffered, only to see, at this hour, our emotions changed from pleasure at the departure of the Spaniards to apprehension at the arrival of the Americans."

Frank In Command at Huntsville.

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., Dec. 30.—Major General Henry W. Lawton issued a general order yesterday relinquishing command of the Fourth army corps. General Lawton will go to Manila, reporting to General Otis. Brigadier General Royal Frank, commanding the Second division, Fourth army corps, at Anniston, will assume command of the corps by right of seniority. The report that corps headquarters will move to Anniston is doubted by officers of the general staff. Companies F and G, constituting the Second battalion of the Second engineers, left last night for Miami, Fla., to embark Saturday for Havana. Four troops of the Sixth cavalry, two for Fort Reno and two for Fort Sill, departed at noon yesterday.

American Motors For Europe.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Count de Jotemps of Paris, who recently contracted for $5,000,000 worth of motor vehicles of Chicago manufacture for use in Europe, has also closed contracts with the Holyoke Motor company of Holyoke, Mass., manufacturers of a gasoline motor carriage; the Overman Wheel company of Chicopee Falls, Mass., manufacturers of light gasoline motor carriages, and the Stanley Automatic Carriage company of Newton, Mass., which makes a steam motor carriage. The combined contracts call for 1,500 vehicles to be delivered each year for the next ten years. The aggregate price to be paid is said to fall not far short of $15,000,000.

A Railroad Sold.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 30.—The Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad was sold at auction yesterday in Fayetteville under foreclosure proceedings by Commissioners Martin and Manley. The road was bought by the Atlantic Coast line for $3,110,000.

Caught in a Belting.

READING, Pa., Dec. 30.—While Oscar J. Frederick, proprietor of a mill near Shamrock, this county, was adjusting a pulley yesterday he was caught in the belting and had his brains dashed out against the ceiling. He was a well known resident of Berks county.

Another Dreyfus Duel.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—M. Musson, the well known journalist, fought a duel with swords today with M. Dupont, an energetic supporter of Dreyfus revision. M. Dupont was severely wounded, his adversary's weapon piercing his lung.

Death at Santiago.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—General Wood, commanding at Santiago, has telegraphed the war department that Private James W. Morgan, Company H, Third volunteers, died yesterday of malarial remittent fever.

Jail and Prisoner Burned.

SUMMITVILLE, Ind., Dec. 30.—The jail here was burned early yesterday, and Fred Borlin of Anderson, Ind., who had been incarcerated for drunkenness, was burned to death. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Rothschild's Bequests to Charity.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The late Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild left $500,000 to the Evelina Hospital For Children, founded in memory of his wife. He made also other considerable charitable bequests.

TRANSVAAL CRISIS.

Greatest Public Excitement Since Jameson Raid.

POST'S INFLAMMATORY ARTICLES.

Suggests Shooting of Consular Officers—Kruger Says He Will Prohibit Anti-Jameson Meeting.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Johannesburg correspondent of The Times, telegraphing yesterday, says:

"Yesterday's issue of The Rand Post contains further inflammatory articles. The paper calls Saturday's proceedings a rebellious plot against the existence of the republic and styles the petition 'a lying and libelous document compiled in conjunction with the British agent's office.' It suggests that if a couple of wire pullers were shot it would avert a formal war and says that Great Britain should be requested to appoint a new consular staff, failing immediate compliance with which request the exequaturs of the members of the present staff should be withdrawn."

The Cape Town correspondent of The Daily Mail says:

"President Kruger, in the course of an interview, has asserted that he deprecates the warlike article published by the Boer organ, The Rand Post, and declares that he will prohibit the proposed anti-Jameson demonstration."

The Johannesburg correspondent of The Daily Mail, who utters a warning against the optimist reports cabled to London in the Kruger interest, says:

"I have interviewed the British consul, who said that the Saturday demonstration impressed him as based upon public feeling, while the deputation which presented the petition was, to his personal knowledge, composed of men of high character and standing.

"Signs are multiplying that the outlander sentiment has been roused to the point of asserting claims for justice. The ex-reform leaders are debarred, under pain of banishment, from interfering in politics, but they declare that, despite Pretoria terrorism, they will not keep silence much longer. The present temper of the community is such that opposing demonstrations will almost inevitably be followed by serious riots.

"I learn on high authority that during the negotiations at Pretoria regarding Saturday's demonstration the British agent carefully avoided any admission that the British government assented to the public meetings act. He even suggested that Great Britain might test the legality of that measure under the London convention.

"The present position has aroused the deepest public excitement known since the Jameson raid, and it is plain that something must be done quickly to terminate a humiliating and intolerable situation."

A Unique Admiralty Case.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—A unique admiralty case was heard in the United States district court yesterday—namely, a libel brought for salvage for the saving of United States and French money of the value of $1,050 found by Gloucester fishermen on what the law terms a derelict at sea. The derelict in the case was the dead body of a man, believed to have been a victim of La Bourgogn- disaster of last July. The body has not been identified, however. The libel was that brought by the owners of the fishing schooner William H. Cross in behalf of themselves, her master and crew of 14 men against the property found. The body was buried at sea, and all efforts to find relatives of the derelict have failed. After hearing the case, Judge Lowell took the matter under advisement.

Suicide In Boston Railroad Station.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—A man, believed to be Charles E. Dickerson of Greenfield, Mass., fired a shot into his head in a waiting room of the Union station yesterday afternoon and tried to send two more bullets after it, but they did not take effect. The man is supposed to come from Greenfield because he had in one of his pockets a ticket to that town. There was also found on him a recommendation bearing the name Charles E. Dickerson, signed by F. W. Bardwell of Hubbardston, Vt., and another signed by O. W. Gray. As soon as the station employees realized what had taken place the police were notified, and the man was taken to the general hospital. He is in a dangerous condition.

Papal Letter to America.

ROME, Dec. 30.—It is asserted here that a pontifical document concerning religious matters in America has been dispatched to Cardinal Gibbons and will be published in Europe as soon as it reaches him. Although dealing principally with local customs and modes of action in conformity with the religious liberty accorded in the United States, the document, it is understood, warns Catholics against the dangers of certain unorthodox regulations touching matters of conscience, such as were advanced by certain commentators upon the "Life of Father Hecker," and the dangers of doctrines like that of human evolution upheld by Dr. Zahm.

To Go to Guam.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Several naval officers have been ordered to duty on the auxiliary cruiser Yosemite, now fitting out for a cruise to Guam as a station ship. Among the number are Lieutenant Commander J. H. Moore of the Columbia, Lieutenant C. H. Harlow of the Vixen and Lieutenant C. J. Bosch, from the Yankee.

Mrs. Lily Lord Tiff Dead.

BUFFALO, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Lily Lord Tifft, secretary of the American Association For the Advancement of Women and ex-secretary of the New York State Federation of Women's Clubs, died at her home in this city yesterday.

OUR SOLDIER DEAD.

Arrangements For Bringing Bodies Home From West Indies.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—General Ludington, quartermaster general of the army, has completed arrangements for bringing back to this country the bodies of American officers and soldiers interred at and in the vicinity of Santiago, Cuba; Ponce and other points in Porto Rico, Manila and Honolulu. The graves have been carefully marked by officials of the quartermaster's department, who have gone over the several fields and have succeeded in identifying nearly all of the American dead.

A large number of metallic caskets are now being manufactured. The shipments of the caskets will begin about Jan. 10, and a force of skilled men will go with them to attend to the work of disinterment, hermetically sealing the caskets and shipping them back to this country. They will be brought on the government transports, and the first caskets will begin arriving about the end of January. They probably will be sent to New York and from that point sent to relatives and friends.

An act of congress appropriates $200,000 for this purpose.

Official Canvass For New York.

ALBANY, Dec. 30.—The state board of canvassers yesterday afternoon canvassed the vote of the state and declared these state officers elected: Governor, Theodore Roosevelt, plurality 17,786; lieutenant governor, Timothy L. Woodruff, plurality 9,661; secretary of state, John T. McDonough, plurality 15,839; treasurer, John P. Jaeckel, plurality 8,664; comptroller, William J. Morgan, plurality 10,964; attorney general, John C. Davies, plurality 12,476; state engineer, Edward A. Bond, plurality 9,682. There was a defective and scattering vote of 9,216, much less than in former years. On the totals Theodore Roosevelt received for governor 661,707 votes, Augustus Van Wyck 642,921, Benjamin Hanford 23,860, John Kline 18,383, Theodore Bacon 2,103, blank and defective 9,216.

A Protest Against Lynching.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Representative Dalzell accompanied a delegation of colored men from western Pennsylvania who called on President McKinley yesterday to present a memorial against the race riots and the lynching of colored men in the south. The delegation was made up of the following citizens of Pittsburg: Rev. G. W. Kincaid, Dr. W. D. Clinton, J. W. Holmes, Rev. J. B. Howard, Rev. W. S. Bentley and B. F. Cumbach. The memorial severely criticised conditions in the south and alleged brutal lynching of colored men without cause and for no other reason than their color. It appealed for a just enforcement of the laws and for the enactment of legislation to prevent injustice to the colored race.

Postal Agreement With Canada.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The postmaster general has signed an order accepting as private mailing cards both the Canadian mailing cards bearing United States stamps and mailed on this side of the line and the United States cards mailed in Canada with Canadian postage. This is the result of a reciprocal arrangement between this and the Canadian governments looking to avoid considerable annoyance in refusing postal transmission where travelers both ways write home on cards of their own country.

Newfoundland Fishery Question.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Dec. 30.—It is generally expected here that the failure of the Canadians to secure a fishery arrangement through the negotiations of the joint high commission at Washington will result in the British government permitting this colony to negotiate a separate arrangement with the United States upon the basis of the Bond-Blaine convention, which allowed Newfoundland fish free entry into the American markets, American vessels receiving free bait and fishing privileges in Newfoundland waters.

Five Masted Schooner Launched.

BATH, Me., Dec. 30.—The large five masted schooner Nathaniel Palmer was launched at 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The schooner was built by Daniel P. Palmer and has already been rigged and is ready for sea. The vessel was christened with punks by Miss Anna Palmer, a niece of the builder. The Nathaniel Palmer is the first five masted schooner built in Bath and is one of the largest afloat. The official measurements are: Length, 205.1; breadth, 44.1; depth, 22.2; gross tonnage, 2,440; net tonnage, 2,244.58.

Hanged on Automatic Gallows.

HARTFORD, Dec. 30.—Benjamin R. Willis, aged 23, was hanged at the state prison at Wethersfield, at 12:20 this morning for the murder of David S. R. Lambert of Wilton, his former teacher, Dec. 17, 1897. Willis was the youngest person ever hanged in the prison. He was the seventh person hanged by the so called automatic gallows, and as on all previous occasions the gallows operated perfectly. The drop fell at 12:20, and he was killed instantly. Eight minutes later the body was cut down.

A Cold Wave Coming.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—The government signal service late last evening announced the approach from the northwest of the most severe cold wave this season. By tomorrow morning, it is predicted, zero weather will prevail in Chicago and the entire lake region. The thermometer last night registered from 18 to 24 degrees below zero in the Northwest Territory, the low mark being reached at Winnipeg.

The Keely Motor.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Charles S. Hill, attorney for Mrs. John W. Keely, arrived here yesterday from Philadelphia with the various machines of the late John W. Keely which are held to be of importance in connection with the experiments which are to be made by Y. R. Kinraide at his laboratory in Jamaica Plain to test the possibilities of the machine.

THE POISON MYSTERY

No Solution of the Adams Murder Yet In Sight.

THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AT WORK.

Plot Remarkably Well Developed. Writing on Package Only Possible Clew—Cornish Suspects No One.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Florence Rogers, daughter of Mrs. Adams, who died from poison taken from the bromo seltzer bottle sent to Harry L. Cornish, visited Chief Devery's office late yesterday afternoon in company with another young woman. After a lengthy interview they emerged from the chief's office with Assistant District Attorney McIntyre and entered a cab. Mr. McIntyre refused to say who the second woman was.

A central office detective got into the carriage with them, and the horses were whipped up and went down Eighth avenue to headquarters.

It was said that the crippled son of Mrs. Adams had been taken into custody, but he was not taken down town in the carriage with Mrs. Rogers.

No murder mystery ever presented a more baffling front to the New York police than that which surrounds the death of Mrs. Kate Adams, who, by a strange chance which the murderer must view today with discomfiture and rage, was killed by poison seemingly intended for Harry Cornish, the instructor of the Knickerbocker Athletic club.

The plot is far more perfect than that in the Botkin case. There is only one direct clew—the handwriting on the package that the day before Christmas was received by Mr. Cornish through the mail at the Knickerbocker Athletic club.

The developments of yesterday further complicate the mystery, as follows:

Mr. Cornish, who is at the Knickerbocker Athletic club, still ill and under an injunction from his physician to see no one, tried for four hours, according to Assistant District Attorney McIntyre, to call to mind some one who might be suspected of having sent the poison. He went over the whole list of his acquaintances, it is said, without finding any one to suspect.

One of the two wrappers around the bottle, it is said, contained some writing. The papers are in the hands of the district attorney. Mr. Cornish said yesterday that he saved the wrappers with the hope of discovering who had sent him the strange present.

Assistant District Attorney McIntyre, Captain McClusky and two central office detectives were closeted for an hour with Mr. Cornish yesterday afternoon at the Knickerbocker Athletic club.

Before their arrival a small, dark man had spent some time about the clubhouse, saying he was a private detective and was anxious to see the writing on the package which contained the poison. He claimed to have in his possession a sample of writing which, if it should correspond with that on the package, would enable him to secure the guilty person, who, he also claimed, sent the poison to Mr. Barnett.

Very little credence was given his statements at the club, though Mr. McIntyre took the man into Mr. Cornish's room on his arrival.

At the conclusion of the conference Mr. McIntyre said that there was nothing to be made public at this time, and then, in company with Captain McClusky, the two central office detectives and the alleged private detective, he boarded a south bound Madison avenue car.

The party reached police headquarters shortly before the arrival of the carriage containing Mrs. Florence Rogers, and all were shown immediately to Captain McClusky's office and the doors were closed.

Mrs. Cornish, when seen by a reporter in Boston yesterday, said that she knew nothing about the poisoning.

"I never saw either Mrs. Adams or Mrs. Rogers," she said. "I only know of them through the visit of my daughter to her father a year ago."

Death of an Old New Yorker.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Frederick de Bary, founder of the importing house of Frederick de Bary & Co. of New York, died yesterday at his home in Summit, N. J., aged 84 years. Death resulted from the effects of an apoplectic stroke. He was born in 1815 at Frankfort-on-the-Main, and in 1851 came to New York as an agent for a French firm of champagne makers, when he established the present firm. Besides his wine importing business he founded the de Bary line of steamships in Florida and also possessed orange groves in that state.

A New League of Patriots.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—At a meeting of 4,000 members of the League of Patriots held here yesterday it was decided, in view of the situation created by the Dreyfus affair, to form a new League of Patriots. M. Paul Deroulede, member of the chamber of deputies for Charente, the founder of the original League of Patriots and himself one of the most active opponents of Dreyfus revision, was elected president of the new league.

Detroit Ordered to Santiago.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Sailing orders have been received at the navy yard for the Detroit to leave for Santiago the instant she is ready. The cruiser has been here for three months, and it is expected that her repairs will be completed and that she will sail on Monday.

The Curzons at Bombay.

BOMBAY, Dec. 30.—Baron Curzon of Kedleston, the new viceroy of India, and Lady Curzon with their children, arrived here yesterday on the Peninsular and Oriental steamship Arabia, which left London on Dec. 9.

A TEXAS MYSTERY.

A Sixty Thousand Dollar Wells-Fargo Money Package Missing.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 30.—The local office of the Wells-Fargo Express company is out a money package containing $60,000. The money was sent here from Houston for the Southern Pacific to meet its pay roll west from this city to El Paso.

It arrived Wednesday morning and was given to C. A. Beeler, the Wells-Fargo money delivery clerk, to hand over. Beeler started for the depot and was seen en route. Four hours after his departure his wagon was found five miles west of the city in a thicket, the horse almost dead from the effects of hard driving. Inquiry developed the fact that no delivery had been made. There was no evidence of a struggle in the vicinity where the vehicle was found.

Beeler had been in the employ of the company for nine years and enjoyed the confidence of all. He spent several years on the frontier as a cowboy. His friends stoutly assert that he is the victim of foul play, and his wife also inclines to this belief. Superintendent Taft of the express company is here investigating. He admits that the loss will reach the sum stated, while rumor nearly doubles the amount.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

General Lawton has been assigned to duty in the Philippines.

Madrid is worried by a mysterious meeting of a dozen generals, which may affect the ministerial crisis.

King Humbert has liberated 2,700 persons sentenced by courts martial or condemned by civil courts in Italy.

The war investigating committee has given out the reports of General Miles' officers that the canned beef furnished was bad.

The administration has decided not to muster out the volunteers until the situation is cleared up in Cuba and the Philippines.

Augustus W. Peters, president of the borough of Manhattan, died suddenly of heart disease at his home, 253 East Eighty-sixth street, New York.

President McKinley has issued an order fixing French and Spanish coin values in payment of customs, revenue and postal dues in Cuba after Jan. 1.

New Mail Trains.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—On Jan. 1 the New York Central and Lake Shore roads, which have for years been running daily one fast mail train each way between New York and Chicago, will place in service a second train. West bound this train, carrying nothing but the United States mail, will leave the Grand Central station, New York, at 9:15 p. m., stopping at Albany, where it will receive the mails from Boston and New England, and making stops at Utica, Syracuse, Rochester, Buffalo, Erie, Cleveland and Toledo will arrive at Chicago at 8:30 the next evening. East bound the train will leave Chicago at 3 a. m., reaching New York at 5:15 the following morning, making the run west bound in 24 hours and 15 minutes. The east bound schedule will be run in 25 hours and 15 minutes.

Feeding the Cubans.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—General Brooke, the governor general of Cuba, telegraphed yesterday from Havana as follows to the secretary of war: "Replying to your dispatch regarding the suffering in Havana and in the province of Havana, I find General Lee has made ample provision for relief of people in his department, and General Ludlow has made arrangements to meet necessities in city. Major Greenough and Mr. Gould have arranged to distribute a large amount of subsistence unloaded from the Comal at La Regla. It seems that every attention is given to this matter, and supplies will be furnished to all the needy as rapidly as the people are found."

Colebrook Bank Failure.

COLEBROOK, N. H., Dec. 30.—Bank Examiner E. H. Carroll late yesterday afternoon confirmed the news from Washington that the Colebrook National bank had failed and stated that he had been appointed temporary receiver. He declined to give out any further statement, but a bank official stated that the examination of the books which has been in progress since Tuesday had disclosed irregularities covering a period of five years. It was also announced that Cashier Bailey, who is under arrest pending the completion of the investigation, would be arraigned here. The amount of the shortage was placed at $30,000.

The Situation In Samoa.

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—There is much comment here at the reported arrival of an American warship at Apia, Samoa, the newspapers regarding it as a sign that President McKinley means to carry out the programme outlined in his recent message to congress. The Vossische Zeitung says: "No doubt Great Britain will support America and thus paralyze the slowly acquired German preponderance. There is no longer a chance of Germany securing exclusive control."

Armory Contracts Awarded.

ALBANY, Dec. 30.—The state armory commission has awarded three contracts for the erection of the state armory at Whitehall. Andrew Douglass of Binghamton receives the contract for excavation for $1,085 and for building erection for $33,908. Seymour Taylor of Glens Falls receives the contract for electric wiring for $1,250.

Large Tax Collection.

ALBANY, Dec. 30.—Comptroller James A. Roberts has received from the comptroller of New York city one of the largest sums ever collected from an individual estate under the provisions of the taxable transfer act. The sum was paid by the estate of William Whitewright of New York city and amounted to $222,533.88.

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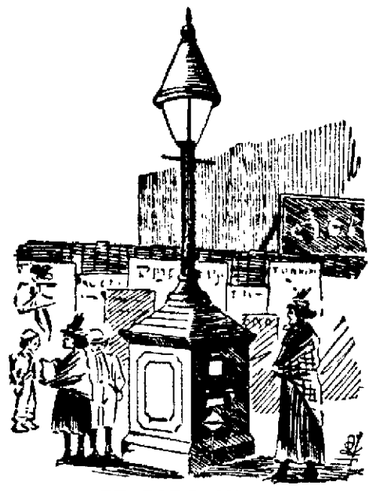
TEA FROM LAMP-POST.

Hot Water, Coffee and Various Other Drinkables Provided by a London Slot Machine.

There seems to be no limit to the capabilities of the automatic penny-in-the-slot machine. The utility of this system of supplying small articles direct to the public has grown wonderfully of late years, and there has recently been erected in Leicester square, London, an automatic lamp-post, which provides hot water, hot coffee and hot cocoa, delivered in liquid form, and also beef tea in globules, chocolate, cigarettes, etc.

The way in which the water is heated by the gas burners at the top of the



A TEAPOT LAMPPOST.
(It Provides All Sorts of Things for Thirsty Londoners.)

lamp is extremely ingenious, says the Golden Penny. The water to be heated, curious to say, is not at the top of the lamp-post, but at the bottom, and the heat of the gas flame does not directly touch it at all. There is a tank inside the lamp pedestal holding 40 or 50 gallons of water. A very small quantity of water is carried over the lamp flame and is there converted into superheated steam, and this steam is taken through carefully insulated pipes and heats the water down below, a gallon at a time.

Cold water is brought in by a small pipe from the street main, passes through the 40 gallons or so of hot water and then, slightly warmed, runs up to the top of the lamp and coils in a spiral many times round and round just over the flame until it reaches a small "superheating boiler" at the top.

When the steam in the little superheating boiler has risen to a pressure of about 20 pounds to the inch it blows down a pipe toward the water to be heated, and the decrease of pressure allows a little more water to come into the spiral vaporizer from the main automatically.

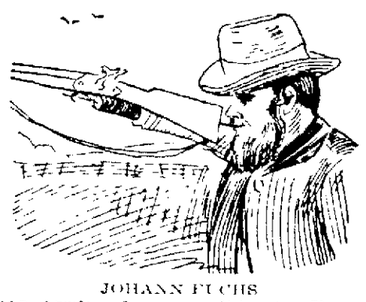
The very small supply of cold water coming in under carefully regulated pressure gets slightly warmed, passes up to be vaporized and blows down a pipe closely packed round with white magnesium and asbestos.

The pipe containing the steam passes through the little gallon tank and then, only partially condensed and with much of its heat still left, it runs through the large tank and raises the temperature of that a great way toward boiling point.

AN ARMLESS HUNTER.

The Ways in Which He Discharges His Shotgun and Rows a Boat Are Marvelous.

Johann Fuchs, who lives at Milltown, near New Brunswick, N. J., having lost both his arms nearly 50 years ago, has trained his stumps to work marvelously for him. Having a fondness for outdoor life, Fuchs found that he could devote some of his time to fishing and hunting with advantage. But he had to exercise his ingenuity. In rowing a boat he encircles the oar with the



JOHANN FUCHS
(An Armless Jerseyman Who Can Fire a Gun as Well as Anybody.)

stump of his right arm, pressing it against the cheek, which he bends down low to meet the oar to give him a better purchase. Planting himself in the bow of the boat, with a continuous wriggling motion of the whole right side of the body Fuchs propels the boat along.

Fuchs is an expert fisherman. He has an eight-foot rod. When he has reached the right spot in the river he anchors his boat and adjusts the rod under his armpit in such a way as to allow four or five feet of it to project behind him. The bait he fixes on the hook with his mouth. After experiencing a number of mishaps from the hook getting caught in his clothing Fuchs devised an invention to avert any further annoyance of this sort.

The arrangement by which Fuchs manages to discharge his shotgun is ingenious. With his hook he takes the weapon and puts it in place against his right shoulder. Right opposite his mouth at the butt end of the gun which he leans against his cheek to take aim, are two strings. Each communicates with a trigger. In firing the weapon he seizes one of the strings with his teeth and gives it a backward jerk of his head and the weapon is discharged. In the case of trying the [illegible] at which he aims, be it a bird or a rabbit or [illegible]

PUSSY IS VERY WISE.

A Maine Cat That Can Tell When a Letter Comes for Her and Opens It Readily.

An East side woman has a cat that can tell when a letter comes addressed for her, says the Augusta (Me.) Journal.

The owner of the cat spoke of its ability in this direction to a friend who was making a call.

"A letter!" exclaimed the caller, in surprise.

"Yes, a letter, and if you don't believe it I will prove it to you. Just wait a minute until I direct one."

The woman left the room, and in a few minutes returned with a sealed envelope addressed to Miss Pussy, No — Bangor street, city.

"Now," said she, "if you will kindly post that for me to-night and be here when the postman comes around on his first delivery to-morrow morning you will see that I am telling you facts."

The caller mailed the letter as she was asked, and was at her friend's home promptly the next morning.

Soon the bell rang, and shortly afterward the servant entered with a bundle of letters, among which was that for Miss Pussy.

Sure enough, pussy at once showed an interest, and in a moment had pushed aside with her paw the envelope addressed to her.

The visitor was about to express her surprise, when the woman of the house said: "Wait a moment. She'll open it and eat up all that is in the envelope."

Scarcely had she said this when Miss Pussy had torn the envelope open and was enjoying her letter very much.

The envelope was filled with catnip.

CORNER DRUG STORES.

The Rapidly Multiplying Saloons Are Crowding Them from Their Favorite Place.

The corner drug store, with its flashing colored lights, is destined to eventually disappear. The drug store of the not far distant future will be in the center of blocks, especially in the downtown and business districts. Whether this will be due to the march of progress is another story. The saloons will occupy the corners as a rule. In Broadway, New York, there are not half a dozen drug stores on prominent corners from the Battery to Central park. The saloons and other businesses outbid the druggists in the matter of rents. The drug business has been badly invaded by dealers in other lines, who have added to their general stocks patent medicines, fancy goods, toilet articles, and the thousand and one things no one thought of seeking outside of a drug store a few years ago. But the drug stores still hold on to the profitless but accommodating trade in postage stamps.

Already in Chicago, says the Chronicle, "the middle of the block" knows several drug stores, and as leases expire in the coming years there will be many removals to similar locations by prominent downtown stores, all on account of higher rentals offered by other lines of business, most frequently from liquor dealers. Already saloons have been built around several downtown corner pharmacies in "L" shape, and the owners are eagerly awaiting the time when an opportunity will come for them to outbid the drug men for the corner space.

ATE DURING THE FIGHT.

Admiral Schley and Capt. Cook Not Worried Enough to Lose a Meal.

It seems that Admiral Schley and Capt. Cook sat down to dinner while the Brooklyn was chasing the unfortunate but gallant Colon. There's American assurance for you, says the Kansas City Star. At the close of a tremendously important battle, which settled a war and changed the map of the world, the commanders on the United States flagship, pursuing at top speed the last of the enemy, whose guns still belched defiance, sat down to dinner, which, no doubt, was served in style and with a strict regard for gastronomical etiquette.

"I will have a bit of the tomato soup" remarked the admiral. "Ah, that must have been a five and one-half inch shell eh, captain?"

"Sounds like it—pass me the celery," replies Capt. Cook.

With the cheese and black coffee and cigars the enemy is overhauled and driven ashore, the Spanish sailors dotting the sea like drowning rats and the aged Cervera tearing his beard in the agony of disaster. Then after quaffing a chartreuse the American admiral appears on deck and orders all boats lowered and all efforts made to save the lives of the saturated Spaniards.

There ought to be fairly good material in this incident for a light opera. There was nothing half so naive or amusing in "Pinafore."

Mystery of a Disappearing Cargo.

The mystery of the disappearance of part of the cargo of the schooner Chalmer two years ago, while bound from Baltimore to Savannah, has been solved by an examination of the vessel at Philadelphia, where she has been undergoing repairs. Ten tons of phosphate, the missing merchandise, were located between the inner ceiling and the outward planking, where it had worked two years ago while the vessel was storm-tossed at sea. It was necessary to cut away part of the planking on the inside and outside of the vessel to remove the phosphate, the work occupying over a week. The vessel had lost her insurable interest and it was while the trouble was being inquired into that the missing cargo was discovered.

Breach of Chinese Etiquette.

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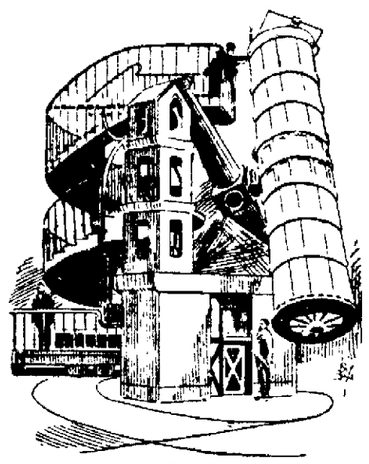
PARIS OBSERVATORY.

It Was Founded Centuries Ago and Still Is One of the Centers of Astronomical Work.

The city of Paris may well claim a position as one of the great scientific centers, its university and kindred institutions having witnessed many of the developments of the sciences and the discoveries of modern times, and particularly so in the science of astronomy, the observatory of Paris being recognized as one of the centers of astronomical work, its astronomers having from the commencement been



THE GREAT REFLECTOR.
(One of the Wonders of the Observatory at Paris.)

associated with the history of the science; the observatory has, in fact, seen the science of astronomy emerge from its primitive stage of two centuries ago into the remarkable condition of development which we find at the present day, says the Scientific American.

The foundation of the observatory dates from the middle of the seventeenth century, at which period the Academie Royale des Sciences decided to create an establishment devoted to physical research and astronomical work. The observatory lies on the southern side of the Seine. The great instrument with the staircase, called the reflector, was installed in 1875. It is completely inclosed by a metallic cupalo, not shown in the picture, which slides upon a system of rails. The movable part weighs 20,000 pounds; the instrument is provided with a clock movement having a Foucault regulator. The mirror deserves special mention; the casting of the mirror was intrusted to the works of St. Gobain, and the mass of glass as delivered by the works weighed 1,000 pounds, which weight was reduced to nearly half by the optical work. The diameter of the mirror is 1.20 m. and the focal distance 7.20 m. The mirror is generally resilvered every year.

COL. G. M. MOULTON.

Illinois Volunteer Infantry Officer Appointed Chief of Police of the City of Havana.

Col. George M. Moulton, Second Illinois infantry, who has been appointed chief of police of Havana, Cuba, was born on March 15, 1851, in Readsboro, Vt. He came to Chicago in 1853, with his father, and was educated in the public schools of this city. For years he has been a leading figure in masonic, military, club and business circles.

He served as a major in the Second infantry, I. N. G., from 1885 to 1890. When Gen. Wheeler took command of the First brigade in 1893 one of his first

COL. GEORGE M. MOULTON
(Appointed Chief of Police of the City of Havana.)

acts was to appoint Col. Moulton to his staff, as inspector of small arms practice, which position he filled until February, 1894, when he took command of the Second infantry.

Col. Moulton is a 33-degree mason, a member of the Union league and the Chicago Athletic association. In 1873 he was married to Miss Flora A. Garland, of Burlington, Ia. They have two grown children, a daughter, Edith May, and a son, Arthur Garland. Their home in Chicago is on Calumet avenue, near Sixteenth street, on the site of the Gen. Logan homestead.

Dates from the Crimean.

The song of the "Red, White and Blue" is of unknown authorship, but dates from the Crimean war, and the colors represent the red of England, white of France and blue of Sardinia—the countries then leagued against Russia.

Substance in a Shell.

The czar is very fond of eggs and eats large quantities of them. He thinks poison could not be secreted in them without detection, though he is startled to find that by pricking them with [illegible] could be placed in them.

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After a most successful Jacket Season we find on our hands 70 jackets that were priced low at from $5 to $15. We divide this lot up into two lots. All garments that we sold from $6 to $8.50 each. Some half lined; others lined throughout. Thirty garments in this lot. Your choice EACH $2.50.

All Ladies' Jackets
That we sold for $9 to $15. Most of these are elegantly lined throughout with beautiful fancy silk lining, and the price does not represent half the cost of making. Kerseys, Boucles, Meltons, Box Fronts, Storm Collars. YOUR CHOICE FROM THIS LOT $5 EACH.

Clearance Sale of Dress Goods.
OUR DRESS GOODS MAN has been going over his stock with a pencil in his hand and that means mark-downs all along the line to get his stock ready for inventory time.
12½c DOUBLE FOLD PLAID DRESS GOODS marked down to per yard, 6c.
35c and 50c DRESS GOODS in fine fancy effects. Many of these all wool goods. Your choice from a lot of about 25 pieces, PER YARD 19c.

Corresponding Reductions
In higher priced dress goods to close out a lot before taking inventory.

Remnants of Dress Goods.
Some hundreds of people had Christmas dress patterns from this store. Such a selling as that means short ends and remnants, just as surely as fire means ashes.
We find a lot of these short ends, some of which are long enough for entire gowns. We don't want these remnants—they are in the way. You do want them, they are precisely what you want. A condition of affairs that makes bargains like these. Too many prices to quote, but you will find them small enough—1½ to 8 yard lengths.
Among the colored goods are Epingalines, Granites, Storm Serges, Plain and Mixed Cheviots, Covert Cloths, Cloth Suitings, Melanges, Checks, fancy weaves, Matelasse.
Among the black goods remnants are:
Surah Serge, Mohair Figured Suitings, Storm Serges, fancy weaves, Wool Henriettas, Plain Mohairs, Crepons.

Blankets.
CLEARANCE SALE OF SOME FINE GOODS that are a little soiled and mussed. In this big store it is necessary to have goods on display. A sample to show the quality and price.
In our great blanket stock, for instance, we carried over twenty-five different lines, and from each line a sample is kept on the counter for display. These sample blankets, from handling, get a little soiled and mussed. It does not hurt their wear or their warmth in the least, but it does hurt their price as below witnesseth.
ONE PAIR Eleven-quarter finest California Blankets, were $10.00, a little soiled and mussed from handling, now marked to sell for $5.50.
ONE PAIR of Large Heavy $8.50 Blankets; they are samples and a little soiled and are now marked at $3.98
ONE PAIR OF LARGE $5.00 Blankets, used as a sample, now marked at $2.50.
ONE PAIR OF HEAVY $4.00 BLANKETS, a little soiled from handling, now marked at $1.75.
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To the Fattest Man, A Large Fruit Cake. To be seen in the window of Brose Bakery, on North street.

To the Prettiest Girl, a pair of Elegant Bottles of Perfumery. To be seen in the window of McMonagle & Rogers' drug store, on North street.

To the Gentleman Wearing the Most Grotesque Costume, an Elegant Meerschaum Pipe. To be seen in the window of Mills' Cigar Store, on North street.

To the Lady Wearing the Handsomest Costume, a Fur Collarette. To be seen in the window of Max Katzinger's, corner Main and North Sts.

To the Best Gentleman Waltzer, a Pair of Handsome Slippers. To be seen in the window of Samuels' Shoe Store, on North street.

To the Youngest Widow, a Pair of Common Sense Corsets. To be seen in the window of J. J. Silk's Grocery Store, on James street.

To the Homliest Man, a Shaving Set. To be seen in the window of Tuthill's Drug Store, North street.

To the Homeliest Girl, a Pretty Horse. To be seen in the window of J. Chas. Schwartz's market, on West Main street.

To the Person Selling the Most Tickets before the night of the ball, a Ten Dollar Gold Piece. To be seen in H. S. Dussaberry & Son's window, on North street.

All the above presents can be seen in the different store windows advertised until 8 p. m. of the night of Jan 2d.

The grand Masquerade March will take place promptly at 9 o'clock. At 11.45, distribution of prizes. Good music by West Point Band.

Gents' Tickets 50c. Ladies' Tickets 25c. Spectators in the balcony, 25c. Tickets purchased in advance will be entitled to a Ladies' Ticket free. Advance Tickets on sale at H. S. Dussaberry & Son's.

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ON THE TIP OF THE TONGUE.

The amateur show business in this city is just now under discussion in many resorts.

That's an interesting start, but one can almost see a sign:

POWDER.
DON'T SMOKE!

Middletown has a large number of very capable singers, and the Choral Union promises to develop many heretofore unheard voices. The project is meeting with great success, and that an amateur dramatic society, with first class soloists, and choruses when operas are attempted, may result in the near future, seems very certain. The latent talent which may appear under the expert's polishing treatment is no more to be unexpected here than in any other civilized community.

The efforts of the past few years have produced some first class amateurs. Who are they?

Powder! Don't smoke! That's what the discussion, first mentioned, is all about. To tell you would make a certain amount of talk about the ability of the critic to criticise, and the chances are that it wouldn't "get in" any way, as the blue pencil—the sword of Damocles that hangs over newspaper scribblers—is likely to fall, as it frequently does to the after-satisfaction of the pencil pusher.

"It's all for charity, anyway," said one man, to-day, who felt in his bones that he had not been singled out of the chorus of the "Chimes" by everybody in the audience.

Who doesn't like to "take in" an amateur show? Most of the stars, soubrettes, tenors, basses, etc., are all known to the average citizen. The ability of the one or the other is a matter of small importance to anyone in the audience, except the drummer, who dropped in to see Lillian Russell or John Drew in the east. They all receive the applause they do or do not deserve, and who is to stand off and single them out? They're all good because they are doing the best they can. They are not posing as graduates of the finest school of acting, and they only expect forgiveness—not eulogy. That's what makes the thing popular. Business is not retarded by the efforts of a comedian or a soubrette to master a certain number of lines. Rather the work see s easier for several months for a soubrette or a comedian after he or she has heard the plaudits of a well filled Casino. The odor of a bouquet handed over the footlights is more lasting than some people's patriotism.

The real critic at an amateur show is the usher or the man at the door. The latter knows that there will be no late comers at an amateur performance. So he drives the small boys who are waiting for a pass out check or a cigarette butt down the stairs and closes the sliding doors. Then he and the ushers comment upon the ambitious amateur from a professional standpoint. The result would drive some of the members of an amateur opera company to seats in the orchestra. If you don't believe that's so just get some good friend to listen to the "critics."

There are other critics, too. These are the folks who were passed over when the cast was made up. There are the folks who have been in amateur shows, and last and meanest is the critic who never tried to act himself, and couldn't if he tried.

These dispellers of pleasant thought are offset, however, by a whole army of theatrical lovers who just revel when a sweetheart of some fellow's claps her hands together and looks serious, or a social light endeavors to fall on the hard floor as if it was a feather bed. They laugh and say to the lady in the seat ahead, "Isn't she cute?" or "Isn't he ridiculous?"

Then they applaud and go home satisfied. That's what makes the play successful. That's what makes the average life worth living. Every day leads one up against the sour critic, the fellow who expects too much for nothing.—and then to that other fellow who forgives, bears part of his comrade's burden and has a good word for everybody and everything, and who isn't inspired by hopes of early personal reward.

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

—O. and W. No. 7 was made up of seven loaded cars, Friday night.

—Engineer Isaac Cassell, who ran the Middletown Way for many years, has accepted the switch engine in this city and began his duties Friday.

Deafness Cannot be Cured.

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflamation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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BURLINGHAM.

The Sunday School's Christmas—Many Cases of Sickness—Epworth League and Prayer Meeting.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The Sunday School children had a pleasant time, Christmas eve. Mrs. Nelle Case played on the organ. Singing was led by Mrs. Libbie Romer, Mrs. Etta L. Case and Miss Addie Terwilliger. Superintendent Isaac Trumbull made some very fine remarks. William Sutherland also made an interesting address. Some children were sick and couldn't attend. Among those who took part were: Bertha Smith, Ella Smith, Flo Boice, Olivia Hamilton, Geo. Scott, Ida May Scott, Alpha Scott, Charles Reilley, Harry Lord, Willie Lord, Annie Terwilliger, Lizzie Terwilliger and Maggie Gillespie, who sang two pieces. Each child received a present,—candy, peanuts and oranges. The children who couldn't attend were remembered, presents being sent to them. Mrs. Eveline Case, teacher of the bible class, received a present from her scholars, and her husband, Gabriel Case, received a present from the Sunday School. William Sutherland and Mrs. Etta L. Case, teachers, received presents, as did the superintendent, Isaac Trumbull, ex-Superintendent Alonzo Romer, Secretary Mrs. Libbie Romer and Treasurer Mrs. Elvira Ostrander.

—Isaac Boyce's family have all been down sick with heavy colds, excepting the two daughters, Maggie and Lizzie.

—Eugene Thayer has been sick and under Dr. Beakes's care; he is better and able to be around.

—James Scott's son, Bennie, who has been sick and under the care of Dr. Bull, is better.

—The Epworth League will meet in Bull's Hall, Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Prayer meeting, on Thursday evening, in Bull's Hall, at 7 o'clock.

—Watkins Terwilliger has a heavy cold, and John Lord is sick with a cold.

—Our new blacksmith, Mr. Boyce, is kept busy all the time.

PINE BUSH.

Death of Miss Redfield—Sunday's Services—Gift to a Pastor—Christmas supper.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Miss Sarah Maria Redfield died, Tuesday, at the home of her nephew, George Elders, aged eighty years. She leaves a brother, Charles, of Middletown. Funeral and burial at Bullville.

—Rev. J. Lewis Hartsock will preach Sunday morning, on "The Voice of Gospel to Other Religions," and in the evening, "The Deathless Diary."

—Clarence R. Lockwood and Lena R. Decker were married Tuesday, December 27, at 1 p. m., at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Easman, near Burlingham. Rev. J. L. Hartsock, officiating.

—The week of prayer will be observed in the M. E. Church.

—The Walker Valley congregation presented Rev. Mr. Hartsock with a handsome Oxford teachers' bible as a Christmas gift.

—The Christmas supper and service at the Methodist Church, Monday, was a grand success. Mrs. C. H. Terwilliger was presented with a beautiful chair by members of her Sunday School class.

MOUNT HOPE.

Attended His Sister's Funeral—Sunday's services—Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence of ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Rev. Luther Littell attended the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Harriet Wilcox, at New Providence, on Saturday.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Haggerty spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Morris Pepper, in Port Jervis.

—Rev. Charles Beattie, D. D., assisted by Rev. Frank Taylor, conducted services in the church Christmas afternoon.

—Miss Oresta Zieres is the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Naomi Jeffers, for a few days.

—Lewis Smith spent Christmas with his mother, in Brooklyn.

—Robert Palmer collected $304 of taxes here, last Friday.

—The school children are enjoying their holiday vacation, and their teacher, Henry V. Clark, is spending the week with friends in Warwick.

No Right to Ugliness.

The woman who is lovely in face, form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down, she will be nervous and irritable. If she has constipation or kidney trouble, her impure blood will cause pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and to purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, rich complexion. It will make a good looking, charming woman of a run-down invalid. Only 50 cents at J. J. Chambers drug store, 57 North street, near post office.

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POETESS GRINDS CORN.

Member of a Famous Literary Family Runs a Grist Mill in New Jersey.

Mrs. Ada Cranahan Norton, poetess and member of a famous literary family, runs a gristmill at Hightstown, N. J., and thereby, with the addition of what is brought in by her pen, earns a good living. Mrs. Norton is a daughter of Rowena Cary, eldest sister of Alice and Phoebe Cary, whose verses are known throughout the world. She owes most of her literary standing to Alice Cary, who gave her much assistance and encouragement at the start. In 1893 she moved with her husband to Hightstown, N. J., and took charge with him of a quaint little flour mill, built in such a fashion that the machinery could be easily run by a woman. Three years ago her husband died, and since then Mrs. Norton has had sole charge. She has built up a reputation for herself and her mill since then, and farmers for ten miles around drive to the little mill with their corn, although there are mills nearer home to which they might go.

Unlike most mills, the one conducted by Mrs. Norton has the water wheel actually in the building. The lower part is inclosed. In its former days the wheel and lower part were open, and in winter the wheel was very apt to be frozen and, becoming immovable, would cause the poetess untold vexation. All this is done away with by her little scheme of inclosing the wheel.

Mrs. Norton lives in a house scarcely 100 feet from the mill, large, artistic and considerably older than the mill. The mill is in a peaceful, poetical place. The poetess does not forget her literary work, and even when engaged in her duties at the mill her fancies keep busy.

THE LADY WON.

An Amusing Occurrence in a Big Office Building Elevator in Chicago.

People who ride in "lifts" in this city acquire some queer experiences at times. The calling of the floors where passengers desire to debark or embark not infrequently produces some amusing situations. It all depends on the style of the person making the announcement. Of course, conductors are mute participants to the game. Here is one happening which is certainly out of the usual run, says the Chicago Chronicle.

Half a dozen passengers entered an elevator in a big downtown office building. Doctors office there almost to the exclusion of other professions. One boy with a package asked to be deposited at the second floor. A woman stood mute while a medical man thought he would leave at the fifth. The conductor turned an inquiring head and the remaining passengers with one voice chiming in full chorus shouted:

"Tenth."

"Seven up," murmured a gentle voice as the car reached the indicated floor.

Two men seeking the tenth floor glanced at each other with grins of appreciation as a stenographer, and a pretty one, by the way, entered the car. She seemed unconscious of having created more than passing interest, but the conductor was alive to the situation.

"The lady wins," he muttered to himself as he gave the lever a yank and the car shot upward again.

YANKEE INGENUITY DID IT.

French Peas Which Have Been Held in High Favor for Years Are Now Home Grown.

Only a few years ago practically all the canned peas consumed in this country were imported from France, the famous petit pois. At that time it was deemed impossible to produce the required quality in this country, consumers desiring firm, even bright green goods, and though sulphate of copper was used in securing that color it made comparatively little difference with the trade. American packers, however, experimented with the object of producing a pea the equal of the French article, and how well they succeeded is now an old story. Starting with good seed, and under careful cultivation, the American pea now equals the imported product of France, and our packers have built up an industry which has become an important feature of the great canned goods trade of the country. The careful selection of seed has resulted in a variety having all the desirable qualities of the French product and requiring the addition of no coloring substances to make them attractive. American canned peas stand on their merits. Wisconsin and New York are the leading pea-packing states, although others are rapidly developing the industry.

Daily Floating Population.

It seems an easy matter to compute "the floating population" of the land, but to estimate the real population afloat is quite another task. A recent computation as to the population afloat on the Atlantic, however, calculates that last year there was a daily average of 3,651 vessels at sea, with 41,899 men in their crews. Every day also 1,504 steamers, with crews numbering 53,263 men and 3,656 passengers were afloat on the Atlantic. This made a daily average for the year of 5,155 vessels and 130,272 persons spread over the whole Atlantic surface.

Gild Their Lips.

Fashionable Japanese young ladies when they desire to look attractive gild their lips.

Cats That Don't Mew.

In South America there is a race of [illegible]

THE PRACTICAL CHEMIST.

He must inform the miner how much metal is in a certain ore.

He must be able to tell how much phosphate a specimen contains.

To the prospector he must be able to say what per cent. of metal a sample of ore will produce.

An analytical chemist must be able to discover if articles of food contain adulterations of any sort.

He must be able to tell the manufacturers of baking powder or of soap, etc., what his competitors' articles contain.

He must ascertain how much a certain fertilizer will enrich the plant and how free from injurious substances it is.

To those using boilers he must be able to tell how much boiler scale the water will produce, while health commissioners and others will have water tested for its purity from a sanitary standpoint.

WHERE ARE THEY?

A few years ago 4,500,000 bronze two-cent pieces were set afloat. Three million of them are still outstanding.

Twenty million three-cent silver pieces are scattered over the United States, but it is very rarely that one is seen.

Of 800,000 half-cent pieces, which correspond in value to English farthings, not one has been returned to the government for coinage, or is held by the treasury.

It is a standing question to ask what becomes of all the pins made every year. But pins are very small, and when bent or rusty are worthless, and so it makes no difference.

What becomes of all the old coins? There are 199,900,000 old copper pennies somewhere. Nobody knows what has become of them, except that once in awhile a single specimen turns up in change.

FOR SCHOOL AND COLLEGE.

Michigan has 309 log schoolhouses.

There are 27,347 public schools in Pennsylvania and 1,143,100 pupils.

Cambridge university has made Lord Kitchener, of Khartoum a doctor of laws.

The University of North Carolina will undertake the education of one student from Porto Rico and one from Cuba.

After a trial for six months of the one-session plan in the grammar schools, Baltimore has returned to the two-session plan.

The young girls of Mount Union college "struck" against gymnasium practice before a man instructor. They carried their point, and a woman "puts them through the paces."

INTERESTING LONDON NOTES.

Single eyeglasses worn by women is the form taken by the latest London fashionable insanity.

Manx is the best tongue for courting, as it has 97 ways in which to say "My dear." This is the opinion of the London Manx society.

King Charles I.'s pale blue silk undershirt, worn by him on the scaffold and stained with his blood, brought $1,022 at auction in London recently.

Underground London contains 34,000 miles of telegraph-wires, 3,003 miles of sewers, 4,530 miles of water mains, 3,200 miles of gaspipe, all definitely fixed

THE LARGER HALF.

The Same in Middletown as Elsewhere

The bigger half of worldly trouble.

The greater part of mankind's suffering.

Can safely be laid to the kidneys.

Kidneys filter the blood.

Keep the human system healthy.

But they can't do this when they're sick.

Easy to tell sick kidneys.

Look to the back for the note of warning.

Most backache pains are kidney ills.

Twitches, twinges, pains and aches of a bad back.

Should be treated promptly.

Every day's delay means further trouble.

Urinary complications set in. Diabetes, Bright's Disease.

Doan's Kidney Pills are kidney specialists.

Cure every form of Kidney ills.

Proof of this in Middletown testimony.

Mrs. Melissa Johnson, of 45 James street, says: "For four or five years I was troubled with kidney and urinary disorder which weakened me so much that it was tiresome to move around and long walks were impossible. If I caught cold or was exposed to any change in the weather I was always seized with a pain in the loins. I noticed an advertisement about Doan's Kidney Pills in a local newspaper, and I also heard them well spoken about. This induced me to procure a box from J. E. Mills' drug store. They helped me from the first. I felt better in every way and I am able to walk around as much I like. I have always a good word to say for Doan's Kidney Pills."

Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Price 50 cents per box, or six boxes for $2.50. Sent by mail on receipt of price. For sale by all dealers.

Remember the name, Doan's, and take no substitute.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

The greatest remedy for Incipient Consumption. Cures all acute Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness, Sore Throat, Croup, Influenza, Whooping Cough, Bronchitis, Asthma, Hay Fever, Pain in the Chest, Tightness across the Chest, Difficult Breathing, Night Sweats, Wasting of the Flesh and all Diseases leading to Consumption. Price 25 cts. a bottle.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.

14—Wickham Ave., cor Prince, O. & W. R. R.
15—North street and Low avenue hat shops.
16—North street and Wisner avenue.
17—Railroad avenue and Montgomery street.
18—Grand avenue and Prince street
19—East Main street, corner Gardner avenue.
22—Wickham avenue, corner Liberty street.
24—West Main street, corner West street.
25—North street, corner Wickham avenue.
26—James and Henry streets.
27—North and John streets, Erie crossing.
28—Lake avenue and West street.
29—West Main street, cor. Monhagen avenue.
212—State Hospital.
214—Prospect street and Highland avenue.
215—State Hospital (rear).
216—Lake avenue and Oliver street.
34—Fulton and Mill streets, hat shops.
35—High and Hanford streets.
36—Canal street, condensery.
37—Mulberry and Fulton streets
38—Grand View avenue and South street.
41—Fulton street and East avenue.
42—Academy and Houston avenues.
43—East Main street and Railroad avenue.
45—East Main street, foot of Orchard street.
46—Academy avenue and Genung street.
47—Myrtle and Prospect avenue.
48—Grant street and Sprague avenue.
49—East Main street, corner Prospect avenue.
54—North street, opposite Press office.
57—Franklin Square.

1 Stroke of bell denotes circuit is broken.
2-2-2 Stroke of bell denotes Chief's call.
3 Strokes of bell denotes 12 o'clock time.
4 Strokes of bell denotes recall, fire is out.
21 Ahead of any box number, test signal.
2 Strokes of bell denotes that reserve companies are not needed.
2-2-2 Strokes of bell, followed by one round of box, indicates a cal. for out of town.

His Life Was Saved.

J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with Typhoid Fever, that ran into pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon to die of Consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave instant relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can't say too much in its praise." This marvelous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Trouble. Regular sizes 50 cents and $1. Trial bottles free at J. J. Chambers drug store, 57 North street, near post office.

For Over Fifty Years

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used by millions of mothers for their children while teething. If disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child, suffering and crying with pain of Cutting Teeth, send at once and get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for Children Teething. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers, there is no mistake about it. It cures Diarrhœa, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, cures Wind Colic, softens the Gums, reduces Inflammation and gives tone and energy to the whole system. "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children teething is pleasant to the taste and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States. Price twenty-five cents a bottle. Sold by all druggists throughout the world. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup."

Half the ills that man is heir to come from indigestion. Burdock Blood Bitters strengthens and tones the stomach; makes indigestion impossible.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

A Word to the Wise is Sufficient.

Ely's Cream Balm has completely cured me of catarrh when everything else failed.—Alfred W. Stevens, Caldwell, Ohio.

Ely's Cream Balm works like a charm. It has cured me of the most obstinate case of cold in the head. I would not be without it.—Frederick Fries, 25 Hart street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

A 10c. trial size or the 50c. size of Ely's Cream Balm will be mailed. Kept by druggists. Ely Brothers, 56 Warren street, N. Y.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of The Kind You Have Always Bought
Chas. H. Fletcher

There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over one-quarter as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cents and 25 cents per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of The Kind You Have Always Bought
Chas. H. Fletcher

To-Night and To-morrow Night

And each day and night during this week you can get at any druggist's Kemp's Balsam for the throat and lungs, acknowledged to be the most successful remedy ever sold for coughs, croup, bronchitis, asthma and consumption. Get a bottle to-day and keep it always in the house, so you can check your cold at once. Price 25c. and 50c. Sample bottle free.

Dr. Bull's COUGH SYRUP

Will cure Croup without fail.

The best remedy for whooping-cough. Dose small. Price 25 cts. at druggists.

WILLIAMS' ARNICA AND WITCH HAZEL SALVE. SURE CURE FOR CATARRH

COLD IN THE HEAD and all SORE AFFECTIONS. Price 25 cents. For sale by W. D. SLNEY, sole agent.

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ISSUED EVERY TUESDAY AND FRIDAY.

TERMS—$1.50 Per Year, 75c. For Six Months

THE EXTENSIVE BONA-FIDE CIRCULATION of the ARGUS and MERCURY makes them excellent advertising mediums. Being the only Democratic papers published in Middletown, they have a field exclusively their own. Rates on application.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 30.—Rain tonight; snow Saturday; Sunday clearing, much colder, northwesterly gales.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., 22°; 12 m., 33°; 3 p. m., 42°.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

—Jan. 2—Geo. Lea's masquerade ball at Casino
—Jan 24—Y. M. C. A. entertainment, Dr. Eugene May, at the Casino.
—Feb. 14—Y. M. C. A. entertainment, Rev. Russell H. Conwell, at the Casino.

A Missouri court has just decided that a section of the anti-trust law of the State makes it impossible for a trust, or a corporation or firm that is a member of a trust, to invoke the aid of the State courts for the collection of debt. The decision will not, however, hurt the the trusts. They'll get around it by cutting off all credits to Missouri customers.

Senator Quay is reported to have so fixed things with the Republican members of the Pennsylvania Legislature as to be practically certain of the caucus nomination for Senator. There is nothing more remarkable in politics than Quay's hold on the Republican organization of his State. It may well be doubted if conviction of the crimes for which he is indicted would alienate any of his supporters.

WILLING TO GIVE TWO FOR ONE

From the Albany Argus.

Secretary McGarr, of the State lunacy commission, received a communication, yesterday, which disconraged him. For some time he had been endeavoring on behalf of the commission to arrange for deporting an insane pauper patient, who had a legal residence in California. Yesterday the transfer was provided for, but not in the way the secretary had hoped. He received a letter from California stating that that State had recently established a lunacy commission for itself fashioned after New York's, and that they had two New York State insane paupers which they were holding with the expectation of forwarding them on. They would agree, they said, to receive the one from Secretary McGarr in exchange.

LIKE NEW YORK'S CAPITOL.

From the Albany Argus.

Pennsylvania is having the usual experience in erecting a new Capitol at Harrisburg. The original act of the Legislature limited the total cost of the edifice to $550,000, intending that a plain, substantial building should be put up. But a further appropriation of $3,000,000 is already asked for, and perhaps $20,000,000 may be expended before the work is completed.

Funeral of Mrs. O'Connor.

The funeral of Mrs. Catharine O'Connor was held at St. Joseph's Church at 11:30, this morning, with requiem high mass. Rev. Father O'Hanlon preached the sermon and was assisted in the service by Rev. Father McClancy and Rev. Father Durhman. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery, the bearers being Wm. Burke, Sr., John Curtin, Daniel Callahan, Wm. Haley, Charles McHugh and John Caddigan

Have Agreed to Close at 6 O'clock.

The dry goods and fancy goods dealers have agreed to close their stores at 6 o'clock, from Jan 2 to April 1, except on Saturday and Monday evenings.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address,
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

It is said that the soldiers who had taken Hood's Sarsaparilla stood the [illegible] better than others

MRS. ADAMS'S MURDER MYSTERY

A Clue That May Lead to the Discovery of the Person Who Sent the Poison to Henry Cornish.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—An important clue that may aid in the discovery of the person who purchased the silver case and therefore to the discovery of the murderer who sent Henry Cornish the disguised bottle of poison which caused the death of Mrs. Adams has been unearthed. The manufacturer of the silver case is known. He has a record by its number 814.

The case is not a bottle holder as at first supposed, but a match holder. It was made by Frank A. Lebkurer & Co., of Newark, N. J., who are now engaged in looking over their book to trace the firm to whom this particular article was sold.

Frank A. Lebkurer of the firm said: "Not fifty of these match or toothpick holders marked 814 are in the country. Not a dozen, I should say, are in New York or Connecticut. Our books show exactly to whom they were sold, as we keep a record of every article that goes out. In all probability that silver match holder went directly to New York city from our firm. If not to that city it went to our eastern agent at Hartford, Conn., but whether it went to Connecticut or Manhattan our books will show the purchaser. As they take inventories every day, the buyer should be found through them. We will not be able to get through them until this afternoon."

STEAMER WRECKED, PART OF CREW DROWNED.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

HONG KONG, Dec. 30.—The British steamer Glenavon, Captain Pithie, which sailed for London, yesterday evening, has been wrecked on the rocks. Part of her crew were saved and landed here. The captain, chief officer and second and fourth engineers are missing.

DISARMAMENT PETITIONS.

Presented to President McKinley by Protestant Churches.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—A delegation presented to the president yesterday two petitions, one from the great majority of the organized Protestant Christian churches of the world and the other from the Pan-Presbyterian alliance. Both petitions had been placed in charge of the Rev. Dr. William Henry Roberts, the American secretary of the Pan-Presbyterian alliance, and with him the Rev. Wallace Radcliffe and the Rev. A. W. Pitzer of Washington, the Rev. W. W. Barr of Philadelphia and the Rev. J. B. Drury of New Brunswick, N. J.

The first petition was signed by the representatives of 145 national and denominational churches existing on all the six continents—viz, the Church of England, the Church of Scotland, 29 other churches of Great Britain and Ireland, the general of the Salvation Army, two churches in Belgium, two in Switzerland, six in Holland, 12 in Australia, 28 in the United States and 64 in other parts of the world. Baptists, Congregationalists, Lutherans, Methodists, Presbyterians and Episcopalians unite in their approval of the petition. It asks for the reduction of the heavy armaments maintained by Christian nations, "ready upon provocation to go to war and settle their disputations by bloodshed," and also requests the influence of the government of the United States in favor of international arbitration as a substitute for war.

The second petition is from the Pan-Presbyterian alliance, which also united in the first petition and which includes 80 national and denominational churches throughout the world. This second petition asks for "a permanent and peaceful method for the settlement of all controversies arising between the peoples of the British empire and the republic of the United States of America."

Candidates For Morrill's Seat.

MONTPELIER, Vt., Dec. 30.—The successor of the late Senator Morrill will undoubtedly be appointed by the governor of Vermont, Edward C. Smith of St Albans. If the vacancy had occurred during the recent session of the legislature, that body would proceed in joint assembly to elect a senator. The vacancy occurring during a recess of the legislature, the power of appointment rests with the governor. Vermont has many candidates for the senatorship. Among the names most frequently mentioned are ex-Governor William P. Dillingham of Waterbury, ex-Governor C. S. Page of Hyde Park, Hon. C. S. Prouty of Newport, Judge Henry C. Ide of St. Johnsbury and Congressman W. W. Grout. The senator by an unwritten law will come from the east side, it being the unbroken custom to have a senator from each side of the mountain chain that divides the state. All the above named candidates are from the east side.

Sampson at the Navy Department.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Rear Admiral Sampson called at the navy department yesterday afternoon and had a long conference with Secretary Long in regard to conditions in Havana and naval affairs generally. Admiral Sampson is a victim of the grip and, although much better than he has been for the past few days, is still in feeble health and will undoubtedly require a long rest before he will be able to resume active duty. Unless he should suffer a relapse and his health give way he will be continued in command of the north Atlantic squadron, with the New York now at New York, as his flagship.

Has Dreyfus Left His Island?

PARAMARIBO, via Haiti, Dec. 30.—It is reported here that former Captain Dreyfus, who for the last three years has been kept in solitary and close confinement on Devil's Island, one of the Iles de Salut a few miles east of here, has been removed from his island prison to Cayenne and sailed from there for France on Dec 4 last on a convict transport. No details regarding the departure of the prisoner or as to his ultimate destination can be ascertained. It is believed that he will be taken to Paris [illegible] the order of the court of cassation.

BOYCOTT OF ROYAL ORIGIN.

The Measure Was Started by Belgium's Queen Against Lace Made by Machinery.

The stamp of royal approval has been placed upon the boycott, that engine so often employed with effect in bloodless warfare. Queen Marie Henriette of Belgium, seeing danger to many thousands of her people in the introduction of machines for making lace, wrote to her sister queens throughout Europe and received their cooperation in a movement to boycott the product of such machines. Since the advent of lacemaking machinery the number of lacemakers in Belgium and northern France has decreased by about 40,000, and many of these workers have been unable to secure employment. Queen Marie therefore took the matter up and has met with no inconsiderable degree of success. Her majesty is one of the most accomplished women in Europe. Queen Marie Henriette is the daughter of the late Archduke Joseph of Austria. She is the mother of Princess Stephanie of Austria. The pope has recognized her with the Golden Rose of Virtue, the highest regard he could bestow upon her. She is noted for her fondness for horses, which she shows by giving equestrian entertainments. She is also an enthusiastic musician and plays the harp and piano like a professional. Some of her paintings are worthy of the Paris salon. Two years ago she is said to have attempted suicide because of the profligacy of her husband, King Leopold.

BANDED NOT TO MARRY.

A Club of Twelve Boston Young Men Who Decide to Encourage Bachelorhood.

With the greatest secrecy an antimatrimonial club was recently formed in Boston, with a membership of just 12. The secret was too much for one or two of the young men, and now nearly all about the unholy compact is known. It is proposed to dine annually as long as the men hold together, and should one of them be married he must give a farewell dinner costing not less than ten dollars a plate, and as much more than that as he cares to afford, to all the other members, and must also pay into the general treasury for the accumulation of a club fund the sum of $500 as a slight "forfeit" for his treason to the cause in taking unto himself a wife. Eventually, if all but one member became married, the remaining bachelor would pocket the contributions of the others, amounting to $5,500 and interest accruing from time to time, besides which he would meanwhile enjoy many excellent dinners.

The members of The Club of Twelve, as it is called, were desirous of keeping their plan secret, fearing that if it became generally known society might receive them less cordially than of yore. Such a result has not yet become apparent. Indeed, match-making mammas laugh at the whole affair, hinting that these vows of celibacy must represent some cases of disappointed love.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

During 1897 Nebraska marketed $140,772,494 worth of products.

A ferry for loaded cars is talked of between Tampa, Fla., and Havana.

The swallow has a larger mouth, in proportion to its size, than any other bird.

Mississippi, which a few years ago bought hay largely from other states, now has hay to sell.

Last year Boston expended $115,802 for the support of drunkards in the houses of correction in Suffolk county.

Spiders in vast numbers have taken possession of a house owned by Mrs. Julia Pierce, in Southport, Me., and rendered it uninhabitable.

Two notable coronations occurred on Christmas day; that of Charlemagne, as emperor of the west, in the year 800, and that of William the Conqueror at Westminster Abbey, in 1066. Clovis, the first Christian king of France, was baptized on Christmas day, 496.

Tobacco Law in Norway.

Norway has recently enacted a law forbidding the sale of tobacco to youths under 16 without signed orders from adults. Tourists who offer cigarettes to youths render themselves liable to prosecution, while the police are empowered to confiscate the pipes, cigars, cigarettes of youths who smoke in public streets, a fine for the offense being likewise imposed, which may be anywhere between two shillings and five pounds sterling.

Texas Convict Farm.

Texas recently bought 7,000 acres to be used as a convict farm, where cotton and sugar cane will be grown.

OF INTEREST TO CLOAK BUYERS.

We are offering you choice of CLOAK STOCK at $6 98 formerly sold from $9 to $13.50. This season's goods, sizes 32 to 40. Colors—Navy, Tan and Black. Don't delay your visit.

CARSON & TOWNER,

No. 11 West Main Street. Telephone 166.

Having Gathered a Fine Supply of Ice

For the season of 1899, we are prepared to do business for another year. Our prices dating from January 1, 1899, will be as follows, viz:

Consumers of over 1,000 pounds per week,	15c	per hundred.
Stores, etc.,	20c	" "
Families	30c	" "

Soliciting the further patronage of our friends, assuring them of prompt and satisfactory service, and wishing them all a Happy New Year, we remain,

Respectfully,

MIDDLETOWN ICE CO.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

Money left with the First National Bank of Middletown, on certificate of deposit, for three (3) months, will draw interest at the rate of three (3) per cent. per annum.
By order Board of Directors.
SEYMOUR DE WITT, Cashier

A Nice Assortment of Holiday Goods Left.

Come and buy this week at REDUCED PRICES.

The holiday trade has been good.

We open the new year with a great sale of

LADIES' MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.

This sale will show immense variety—about 5,000 pieces.

We are content to let the buyer judge of the value offered.

COME AND SEE,

H. E. CHURCHILL & CO.,
No. 39 North Street.

AN INSPECTION

of our store will emphatically prove that our stock of

Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry,

SILVER NOVELTIES,

Clocks, Cut Glass, etc.,

is complete. The

QUALITY, DESIGN AND ASSORTMENT

are especially excellent and the PRICES are consistent

Close and Particular Attention and the Best of Material

are our first considerations with all

Watch, Clock and Jewelry Repairing.

B. F. GORDON.

WOULD'T SOME WARMER Underclothing COME IN HANDY JUST NOW?

We are prepared to fill your wants in Underwear that is well made, perfectly shaped and priced right. All sizes and qualities.

IT'S BLANKET WEATHER.

The sharp air between night and morning tells you that a warm, wooly Blanket wouldn't be amiss. All wool, part wool and cotton, and a price list that will cover every purse.

Hosiery Hints!

Cotton and wool. Women's goods in wool, cotton and fleece lined. Men's goods in all wool, cotton and wool mixed, and all cotton. Children's goods in all sizes and qualities. Some extra strong stockings for the boys.

We have the latest styles in Gents' Puffs and Bows.

J. D. HORTON, AGT.,
No. 27 West Main Street.

S. M. BOYD,

ATTORNEY AT LAW AND NOTARY PUBLIC,
6 EAST MAIN STREET.
FIRE INSURANCE.

Programme This Week at Cottage Theatre, Mechanictown.

Miss Ward, serio-comic; Miss Carrie Kauffman, operatic singer; Miss Meerson, coon singer, song and dance; Ed Reeves, champion clog dancer of the world. Dance Thursday night. Amateur Night, Saturday night.

Did You Get It?

Never mind we still provide for some of the deficiencies Santa Clans failed to supply.

Diaries for 1899 are waiting for you.

Fancy calendars at reduced prices to close out.

That magazine or paper you are going to subscribe for we can have sent for you and save you trouble and expense.

Peloubet's notes on the Sunday School Lessons for '99. Price $1; by mail $1.12.

Hanford & Horton,
No. 6 North St., Middletown.

Warm Shoes FOR Cold Feet AT ZERO PRICES!

by following the footprints to

C. D. Hanford's,
No. 43 North Street.

READY PAY STORE.

LEMONS

Per Dozen

12 CENTS.

READY PAY STORE

No. 111 North St.

MIDDLETOWN HAND LAUNDRY, 11 DEPOT ST.

M. A. HAWES,

Successor to Mrs E. Allison, makes a specialty of doing fine laundry work. All work washed and ironed by hand.
Family washing our specialty. Goods called for and delivered 17d3mMch2

FRESH DAIRY BUTTER!
19 Cents Per Pound.
B. F TODD 121 North St.

CLEANING UP AND CLEARING OUT!

After our great holiday business in looking around we find our lines broken in sizes. We have a large assortment, but not sizes in all lines.

We have no desire to carry stock over to next winter so we are making prices to clean out.

MORRIS B. WOLF,
"The Blue Front Store,"
No. 10 North Street.

AT STERN'S--Something Worth Reading.

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—Great inventory sale at The Fair.
—Geo. W. Young can save you money in clothing.
—Have your eyes examined at D. C. Dusenberry & Son's.
—Fresh vegetables at Bull & Youngblood's.
—Housekeepers' sale at Hart Davis'.
—John Moore wanted.
—Pig and chicken raffle.
—Chimes of Normandy Monday afternoon, Jan. 2.
—Granulated sugar 5c pound at C. N. Predmore & Son's.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, today.

—George Lea's ball, New Year's night.

—The Sociability Club will hold a hop in Umpqua Tribe's rooms, Tuesday night.

—Hoffman Lodge will install officers, Tuesday night. Refreshments will be served.

—Many Port Jervisites will attend George Lea's masquerade ball, New Year's night.

—The members of Middletown Lodge, No. 112, will have a smoker, to-night. Clams will be served.

—After forty years of active mercantile life, H. C. Cunningham, of Port Jervis, has retired from business.

—Hot drinks, beef tea, clam bouillon, tomato bouillon, chocolate, lemon and coffee, at Laskaris, 34 North street. tf

—The regular meeting of Christ Church before communion, Sunday, will be held at the parsonage, this evening at 7:30 o'clock.

—Only six misfit couples were divorced in Wayne county, Pa., this year, about half the usual output of the county's divorce mill.

—"Chimes of Normandie" matinee Monday afternoon at popular prices, thirty-five and twenty-five cents. Children fifteen cents.

—James Payne, a Port Jervis boy who pleaded guilty to stealing coal from Erie cars, was sentenced, Thursday, to the Randall's Island House of Refuge.

—The costumes worn at George Lea's masquerade ball are always worth seeing. Spectators' tickets admitting to the balcony are only twenty-five cents.

—Lea's masquerade ball, New Year's night, bids fair to be the most successful affair of its kind in the city's history. The sale of tickets has been very large.

PERSONAL.

—Miss Still is visiting at Port Jervis.

—Chas. Buck is confined to his home with grip.

—Mrs. Elliott and Miss Andrews are visiting at Montgomery.

—Miss Louise Powelson is home from Cornell for the holidays.

—Z. K. Greene's parents, who reside at Washingtonville, are quite ill.

—T. A. March is confined to his home with symptoms of pneumonia.

—Mrs. John B. Adams and daughter went to New York, to-day.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Cox have gone to Danbury, Conn., for a few days.

—J. C. Robertson, one of Middletown's oldest residents, is quite seriously ill.

—Mrs. James Bennett, of Port Jervis, visited friends in this city, Thursday.

—Miss Murkle, of Brooklyn, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. C. Benson.

—Postmaster Dayton and ex-Recorder Bradner are the latest victims of the grip.

—Erie Conductor Neas Decker and wife are spending the holidays at Somerville, N. J.

—Private Magowan was able to take a little nourishment, to-day, the first in some time.

—Ezra Osterhout, of this city, has returned from a short visit to his parents in Sparrowbush.

—Mrs. Mortimer Shaw and child, who have been visiting Mrs. Shaw, on Broad street, returned to New York, to-day.

—O. and W. Conductor Adgate fell over a signal wire, Thursday night, and received a cut under the chin and a bruised arm.

—Dr. Schultz, who returned from Honolulu, Tuesday, spent Thursday in Port Jervis with his parents, Hon. and Mrs. D. P. Schultz.

—Second Lieutenant Burnton, of the Albany Battalion, who returned from Honolulu on the train with Company I, is visiting in town.

—The Hancock *Herald* says that Mrs. Kester W. Staib, of this city, is spending the holidays at the home of her father, P. Kane, in that village.

—Erie Conductor Dudley King is confined to his home with grip, and Conductor Davis is running the Mountain Express and Orange County, to-day.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.

Children of the First Baptist Sunday School Spend a Pleasant Evening.

The Sunday School of the First Baptist Church had an entertainment, Thursday evening, those present, old and young, passing a most pleasant evening. There were songs, recitations, dialogues, etc. The scholars received stockings filled with candy, and refreshments were served to all. A recitation by a little tot, Miss Black, daughter of Louis Black, of the *New York Journal*, was a feature.

Sudden Death.

William Beakes, of near Fair Oaks, died very suddenly, this afternoon. He was a brother of Geo. W. Beakes, with the Trust Company, and Mrs. N. D. Mills.

It's the little colds that grow into big colds; the big colds that end in consumption and death. Watch the little colds. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

WITH MILITARY HONORS.

FUNERAL OF PRIVATE ALFRED WELLER, OF CO. I.

Held at Grace Church, This Afternoon—Body Escorted from the Armory by Comrades of the Deceased, Detachment of the 124th Company and Delegations from G. A. R. Posts—Impressive Scenes on the Streets—The Burial Service—Interment in the Bullville Cemetery.

The funeral of Private Alfred C. Weller, who died of typhoid fever in Honolulu, was held most impressively, this afternoon at 1:15, at Grace Church. The comrades of the deceased, fifty-six in number (about half of Capt. McIntyre's command being unable to pay the last honor to Private Weller), met at the armory at 12:15. Gen. Lyon Post's and Capt. William A Jackson Post's delegations formed in the armory, while a number of friends and relatives looked at the casket, wrapped in the American flag, the noblest of palls, while it rested in state in the company room on the right of the entrance.

At 1 o'clock the procession formed on Highland avenue, the 24th Band in the lead. Next was General Lyon Post's and Captain Jackson Post's delegations merged into one command under Vice Commander Joshua Hirst, of Lyon Post. Sergeant W. R. Rodgers with a delegation from the 124th Company was next in line, and the browned and pale Company I formed behind them.

Lieutenant A. L. Decker was in command, with Sergeants M. Dudley and E. Madden Decker right and left guides. The company was drawn up in company front, and the remains were carried out of the armory and through the cleared space which Captain Veber's men maintained despite the crowd. The relatives and friends had already entered carriages, and at the word from Captain McIntyre, who was master of ceremonies, the procession started, the band playing "Flee as a Bird."

Through Highland avenue to West Main street the solemn cortege passed and as the tracks were reached "Nearer My God to Thee" was wafted back in comforting strains to those who followed.

The sidewalks were lined with people, and all business was at a standstill as the heroes passed. Up the incline to Franklin Square the sad notes of "Pleyel's Hymn" mingled with the tolling of the bell in the ears of the multitude in and about the church.

The tears came to many eyes as the procession approached the church. Genuine sorrow at the loss of one—just one—of the 106 was stamped on every face, and the crowd ceased talking.

The company halted in front of the church, and came to "present arms" as the casket, borne on the shoulders of the pallbearers, Corporal Dickinson, and Privates Reagan, Pickard, O. Terhune, Charles Schwartz and D. Jones, was carried up the steps to the crowded edifice.

Rector Evans's illness prevented his conducting the services, and it was Rector Betts, of St. James' Church, who met the procession at the church steps. The seats were filled quickly, and the beautiful Episcopal burial service was feelingly read by Mr. Betts.

All through the services the crowd remained in the streets, and many followed the procession as it reformed behind the hearse. The procession passed through North street to Wisner avenue, where carriages for the escort were in waiting. The relatives, pall bearers, Capt. McIntyre, Lieut. Decker and Lieut. Nickinson and the following firing squad, in charge of First sergeant Barnes, accompanied the remains to Bullville:

Corporals Shafer and Sliter and Privates F. Paret, Blake, Robinson, D. W. Shaw, Lawrence, Terwilliger, Egan, Medrick, Sherer, Backman, Fullerton, S. Sherman, Cochran and Ballman.

A special coach took along the beautiful floral tributes. Among these were an elaborate scroll, "From the City of Middletown," a lyre from "neighbors," a larger piece—"Bleeding Hearts"—from the parents, an anchor from employes of the condensery; a flat piece from "Girl Friends;" a pair of crossed guns on a background of roses, Company I; a flat piece from the "Boys of C. E. Crawford's store," and a broken circle from eight of the deceased's former companions.

During the funeral the stores of C. Emmett Crawford, Weller & Demerest and Jacob Gunther were closed.

The grave in the family plot in Bullville cemetery has been draped with evergreens and bunting. The flag on the village flagstaff is at half-mast, and a very large number of people will assemble to see the young soldier's body committed to the earth.

NEW YORK PURCHASING SYNDICATE

Has Bought the Lipfeld Stock and Leased the Store.

The stock at Lipfeld's has been purchased and the store leased by the New York Purchasing Syndicate, the members of which concern are: E. Van Praag, A. Hildebrandt, J. Greenwald. Mr. VanPraag is in charge of the store at present. These gentlemen are experienced clothiers and after the old stock has been disposed of will restock the store with the very latest spring styles.

A Shed and Its Contents Burned.

A shed near the O. and W. coal dump at Wickham avenue, belonging to H. Thorston, was burned about 9 o'clock, this morning, and two wagons and a cart were destroyed. No alarm was sent in.

RUN UP THE FLAGS.

Mayors of Many Citys Approve the Suggestion That Spain's Surrender of Cuba Be Celebrated.

The New York *World* telegraphed, Thursday, to the Mayors of many cities suggesting that they arrange for a display of flags, Sunday, to celebrate Spain's surrender of Cuba and the disappearance of Spanish sovereignty from the Western Hemisphere.

Almost without exception the Mayors who received the *World's* telegrams heartily approved of the suggestion.

Mayor Mance answered: "I heartily indorse your suggestion for 'flag-raising,' next Sunday, to celebrate the evacuation of Spain's last hold on the Western Continent."

Mayor Odell, of Newburgh, replied: "I will authorize a general flag-raising on Sunday, and am glad to have the opportunity."

President Schoonover, of Port Jervis, answered that he favored the scheme.

BURGLARS AT WORK.

Cellar of J. M. Phillips's House Ransacked During the Family's Absence.

When J. M. Phillips and family, of 233 Cottage street, returned home, to-day, from a few days' visit in Ellenville, they found that the house had been entered, the cellar ransacked, and a quantity of apples, potatoes and canned fruit stolen. The door leading from the cellar was barred, thus preventing the thieves from making their way through the house.

Mr. Phillips says that its a good thing for the thieves that they did not get beyond the cellar, or they would have got both barrels of the spring gun loaded with buckshot that he left set for prowlers.

OBITUARY.

John Mabee.

From Our Goshen Correspondent.

John Mabee died at 3:40 o'clock, this morning, at the home of his sister, Mrs. Helen Hunt, on Greenwich street, this village. He was seventy-seven years old and had been in failing health for some time, but did not take to his bed until Wednesday. Besides Mrs. Hunt, a brother and sister survive, whose homes are in Michigan.

The funeral will be held Monday, at 10 a. m., at his late residence. Interment in the family plot on the homestead farm, near the Goshen reservoir.

LOWER PRICES FOR MILK.

Farmers Put on Extra Cows and the Surplus Knocked the Price.

At a meeting of the Consolidated Milk Exchange in New York, Wednesday, the price of milk was reduced a quarter of a cent, or to 2¾ cents. The reduction was due to a big surplus. When the price was raised, on Dec. 1st, the farmers began buying extra cows and feeding strong, consequently we now have a reduction.

The reduced price takes effect Sunday, Jan. 1st.

Petty Thefts at Montgomery.

Wagons left under hotel sheds in Montgomery have been robbed several times of late, blankets, whips and packages of various kinds having been taken. A suspected party was caught with some of the stolen goods in his possession and other articles were found where they had been hidden. Proceedings have not yet been begun against the party who is suspected of all the crimes.

Will Not Lose His Sight.

Frankie, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Haskell, who, while playing in the yard of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Gould, threw a stone at a glass can and was cut in the eye by a piece of flying glass, is slowly improving. The eye specialist, Dr. I. H. Lent, thinks now that the little fellow's sight will not be lost.

Trains Had to Run Slow.

The break in the trolley wire at North and Cortland streets, Wednesday night, caused the wire to drop, to-day, and it was so low over the Erie crossing, that orders were given all trains to run slow there.

The traction employes raised the sagging wire before noon.

In the Social World.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bogart received a large number of friends, Thursday night, from 8 until 11 o'clock, at their home, No. 23 Prospect street. The home was very prettily decorated. The host and hostess were assisted in receiving by Mrs. Klohs and Miss Storch. Rowley served refreshments.

"Chimes of Normandie" Matinee.

Yielding to many requests for a matinee production of the "Chimes of Normandie," the management announces that a matinee will be given on Monday afternoon, New Year's Day, at popular prices,—thirty-five and twenty-five cents, and children fifteen cents.

Is Catarrh Your Life's Clog?

Eminent nose and throat specialists in daily practice highly recommended Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder, as safe, sure, permanent, painless and harmless, in all cases of Cold in the Head, Tonsilitis, Hoarseness, and Catarrh. It gives relief in 10 minutes, and banishes the disease like magic.

Sold by J. E. Mills and McMonagle Rogers.

Police Court.

—Recorder Barnes will resume the duties of his office, Tuesday, January 3

AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

Engagement Announced—A New Firm—Cataracts' Dance—On Duty at the Depot—Many Personal Notes.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—The engagement of Miss Mary Jansen Haight, of Goshen, and Dr. Charles Frederick Hunt is announced.

—Fancher & Fancher will take possession of the store of Reeve & Kelsey, next Monday.

—Cataract E. and H. Co. will hold its next promenade concert and hop, on Monday evening.

—Joseph Bailie is temporarily filling the place of Baggagemaster Alexander Vandermark, who is confined to his home as the result of an accident.

—Mrs. Charles M. Vail, of New York, is visiting friends in Goshen.

—Capt. B. H. Tuthill and family are spending a week at the Hoffman House in New York city.

—Mrs. S. F. White, of Rhinebeck, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. William Epple.

—Miss Laura Frost is visiting friends at Washington.

—Barber shops will close at 11 a. m., Monday.

—Services will be held in all the churches during the "Week of Prayer," next week.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Of Wallkill Council Jr. O. U. A. M. and Middletown Lodge I. O. O. F.

Wallkill Council Jr. O. U. A. M. elected the following officers, Tuesday evening:

Past Councilor—J. B. Wheeler.
Councilor—James S. Browning.
Vice Councilor—Harry L. Hunt.
Recording Secretary—Chas. E. Decker.
Assistant Secretary—Harry R. Thorp.
Conductor—Wm. H. Mead.
Warden—Geo. B. Ludlum.
Chaplain—Seth B. Ralston.
Inside Sentinel—Ellis Gould.
Outside Sentinel—Wm. Corwin.
Treasurer—Joseph D. Brinkerhoff.
Trustees (eighteen months)—Henry C. Loveland; twelve months, Wm. J. Greening; six months, Emory Cudney.
Representative to the State Council—John D. Powers.
Proxy—J. F. Hallock.

Officers will be installed Thursday evening by D. S. C. E. F. Beemer, of Unionville Council, No. 58, Unionville, N. Y.

MIDDLETOWN LODGE, I. O. O. F.

Middletown Lodge, No. 112, I. O. O. F., elected officers as follows, Thursday night:

S. P. G.—W. B. Miller.
N. G.—J. J. Chambers.
V. G.—Duncan Ross.
Sec.—J. M. Hanford.
F. S.—Robert Lawrence.
Treas.—T. A. March.
Trustees—Joshua Hirst, D. M. Oscar Murray.

"CHIMES OF NORMANDIE."

Second Performance Drew a Very Large Audience—Matinee Monday.

The second production of the "Chimes of Normandy" drew a very large audience, Thursday night. The production was better than on the opening night, and gave complete satisfaction. The work of Mr. Bailey and Miss Morgans were so good that to-day many compliments for them are flying about.

The chorus was especially strong, and Mr. Macomber may well feel proud of his success.

Mr. Bailey made the announcement that a matinee would be given Monday afternoon.

Obituary Notes.

—The remains of J. Newton Young, who died at Warren, Pa., were taken to Liberty, to-day, for burial. The funeral will be held, to-morrow.

—Mrs. Sarah Topping Harris, wife of Samuel S. Harris, died at her home near Rocklet, Friday, aged seventy years. Her husband and two children survive.

—Mrs. Sarah Frances Kelso, died, Saturday, at the home of her neice, Mrs. John Vanderoef, in Montgomery, aged sixty-nine years. She was the youngest daughter of the late John H. Milliken, and three of the family still survive.

—Dominick J. Cunniffe, an old resident of Port Jervis, died, Thursday morning, of pneumonia following an attack of grip. He was seventy-two years old and was a native of County Roscommon, Ireland. He is survived by six children.

Many of Its Employes Sick.

The Union Hat Company resumed work, Thursday, and about twenty employes were found to be suffering from grip and were unable to respond.

Mennerchor's Dance and Reception.

There will be a dance and reception at Mennerchor Hall, Saturday night. A grand time is anticipated. Invitations can be secured of the members.

Life insurance is a good thing, but health insurance, by keeping the blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla, is still better.

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Are features peculiar to Hood's Pills. Small in size, tasteless, efficient, thorough. As one man said: "You never know you have taken a pill till it is over." Mfd. by C. I. Hood & Co., Proprietors, Lowell, Mass. The only pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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First—Buy your goods at our closing out sale Prices so reduced as to be almost out of sight.

Look Here—50c neckwear at 25c, (nice goods); linen collars 5c; $1.75 and $2 fleece lined Underwear at 75c now; Boys' Overcoats and Reefers at half price; Men's and Boys' 50c Caps at 25c. And all **CUSTOM MADE** goods you can buy at ready-made prices.

Tip 2d is This—Make your selections as soon as possible. We have but a short time to stay now.

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SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

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About time you began to arrange for the wagons you will need in the spring? If you want something built on plans of your own, come in and let us figure with you. The more time we have to get them out the better work we can give you.

MIDDLETOWN WAGON CO.

If you want good, clean **Coal** and **Full Value** for your money, you should not forget us.

ROYCE & MAPES,

No. 10 Henry St.

X-mas Presents.

THIS WEEK I WILL SELL

Children's and Misses' Rings.

$1.50 Rings for 75c.

$2.50 Rings for $1.50.

ONLY 200 AT THAT PRICE.

Judson K. Wiggins,

67 North St., Corner Orchard.

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Use Big G for unnatural discharges, inflammations, irritations or ulcerations of mucous membranes. Painless, and not astringent or poisonous. Sold by Druggists, or sent in plain wrapper, by express, prepaid, for $1.00, or 3 bottles, $2.75. Circular sent on request.

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A High-Flyer.

Mrs. Briersleigh—Why, I'm surprised to hear that you are looking for another cook. I thought you were so well satisfied with the one you had?

Mrs. Walker—I was well satisfied, but she turned out to be a high-flyer.

Mrs. Briersleigh—Indeed! What did she do?

Mrs. Walker—Started the kitchen fire with coal oil.—Cleveland Leader.

Hard to Believe.

The Professor—I declare, Miss Blombard, you look as young as your daughter.

Mrs. Blombard (much flattered)—Do you really think so, professor?

The Professor—Yes, indeed. No one would ever believe there was such an extraordinary difference in your ages. —Detroit Free Press.

Fetching Indeed.

A becoming cap a man may wear,
As proudly as ever he can;
But it's nothing at all to the fetching kind
That's set by a girl when she has a mind
To captivate a man.
—Tit-Bits.

AN EFFECTIVE CURE.

"I see Jack Fullboy is around again. They say he just got back from taking the gold cure."

"Did he find it very effective?"

"Extremely so; it took all his money away and left him nothing to get full on."—Collier's Weekly.

The Wriggler Thing.

He tried to get rid of the "frog in his throat"
By keeping his larynx with liquor afloat;
Now "frogs" do not vex him, but oft he computes
The number and size of the "snakes in his boots"
—L. A. W. Bulletin.

As Usual.

"Papa," said little Mabel at breakfast, "you know how you take me on your lap when you tell me stories?"

"Yes," nodded papa.

"Well, Mr. Lippincott was telling Jennie some last night."

And then papa looked at Jennie over his glasses.—Town Topics.

The Cornfed Philosopher.

"If old man Methusaleh had any property," said the cornfed philosopher, "what a lot of fun he must have had after he got to be about 500 or 600 years old and his younger relations began to be kind to him."—Indianapolis Journel.

Autumn Complexions.

Mr. Richfello (in an L train)—What a lovely complexion that girl has!

Seaside Belle—Yes, she looks as if she'd been shut up in town all summer. —N. Y. Weekly.

Defined.

Bobby—Popper, what is a respectable fortune?

Mr. Ferry—One big enough to make its owner's opinions on any subject entitled to respect.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

She Couldn't Tell.

"Am I descended from a monkey, ma?"

"I dare say, but I'm not sure, for I never met any of your father's people." —N. Y. Truth.

To the Happy Guest.

He—You have a beautiful place here, but doesn't one become bored living out in the country alone?

She—Oh, no. Thank goodness, we have very few callers.—N. Y. World

Two Hearts That Beat as Two.

Isabel—So they are married! Are they still two souls with but a single thought?

May—Yes—how to be as disagreeable as possible.—Brooklyn Life.

A Newspaper "Ad."

Discern the tragedy, who can—
(How sad two hearts must feel!)
Here's, "Wanted, to exchange, a tandem for a single wheel"
—Puck

Time Wasted.

"It is a bad plan to rake up old quarrels."

"Yes; at our house we can always find plenty of new ones."—Chicago Record

Millions of Others.

Tom—I see by the papers that the queen of England says she likes American girls.

Dick—Indeed? Well, there are others.—Town Topics.

No Further Necessity.

The Moke—What made you stop going to church?

The Man—Oh, I went out of business. —N. Y. Journal.

One-Sided.

Interviewer—Do you feel the effects of the war tax?

Druggist—My customers do.—Detroit Free Press.

To a Girl.

Give me the mitten dear, I shall not care
Woe is the result of love—begin it;
Give me the mitten, sorrow be my share,
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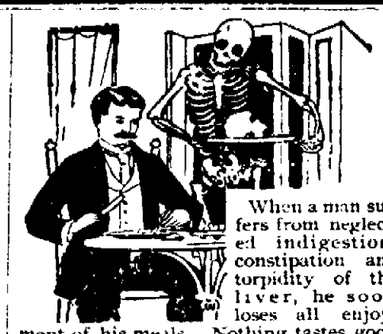

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American Heiress—Oh! I am yours. —N. Y. Weekly.

Business and Pleasure.

Old Man—What ye cryin' fer, Tommy?

Tommy—I want ter build a snowhouse.

Old Man—Won't yer ma let ye?

Tommy—Yes; but she wants me ter take de snow off de sidewalk ter build it wid.—Judge.

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Mr. Johnson (effusively)—No, indeed, I don't, Miss Jaackson! Dey makes yo' out positively good-looking, and dat's a fact!—Puck.

Sympathy.

"Hasn't she a past?" inquired the gossipy man.

"Yes," answered the sensational actress, "but it isn't of much use to her. Somehow she doesn't seem able to get any of it into the newspapers."—Washington Star.

A Field Day for Both Parties.

She—People talk of Sunday being a day of rest, and yet look at the way the poor women have to work to get their husbands to go to church.

He—Yes, and yet look at the way the poor husbands have to work to get out of going.—Brooklyn Life.

Green Fields and Pastures New.

Mrs. Gotham—The doctor says I must go to the country for my health.

Mr. Gotham (busily)—All right, my dear. Which would you rather visit, your aunt in Brooklyn, or my aunt in Jersey City?—N. Y. Weekly.

A Way of Escape.

Plodding Paul—Say, Weary, what's yer reasons fer wantin' ter be cremated when yez die?

Weary Walker—Yer know that Satan allers finds some work fer idle hands ter do.—N. Y. Journal.

The Cumminsville Sage.

"The average politician," said the Cumminsville Sage, "regards a campaign somewhat after the way of a bottle. He won't open it unless he thinks there is something in it."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

No Choice.

Mrs. Carper—Before we were married you said I was the only woman in the world.

Mr. Carper—Yes, and I must have believed it!—N. Y. Journal.

Mister Snow.

Mister Snow, he fall on fall—
De Worl' sing out "Good night!
I mighty skace er kiver,
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Patriotic.

"Trade," said the auctioneer, as he hung his crimson banner on the outer wall, "always follows the flag."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Necessary.

Quizzer—Wonder why nearly all the authors wear glasses?

Guyer—To see through their hair, I suppose.—N. Y. Journal.

Domestic Repartee.

She (indignantly)—Now, husband, you know I never can get in a word.

He—No, but get plenty of them out. —Detroit Free Press.

A Mean Insinuation.

The Rake—Uncle said he'd do the right thing by me in his will.

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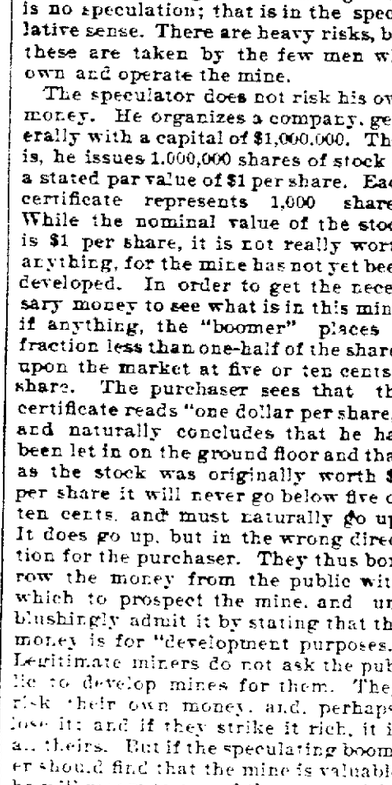
[Special Denver (Col.) Letter.]

FEW people outside of mining circles know how mines are managed and stocks are manipulated. Legitimate mining is a science; when not conducted honestly it is the science of rascality. There are so many tricks in this business that it may be considered as all tricks, more than proving the old adage that "there are tricks in all trades." The honest miner does not, as a rule, issue stocks. If he

MINING CAMP HOTEL.

has not the necessary money to purchase machinery, pay for labor, etc., he sells a certain interest in the ground—say, an eighth, fourth or half. It was in this way, it may be stated, the share system originated. In the early days of California mining, interests in mining claims were sold by the foot, then by the inch, and finally the entire mine was divided into fractions, or shares. This brought about speculation, and a man could sell a share even if he did not have it. The shares no longer represent the value of the mine necessarily. They are mainly used for speculative purposes. In legitimate mining there is no speculation; that is in the speculative sense. There are heavy risks, but these are taken by the few men who own and operate the mine.

The speculator does not risk his own money. He organizes a company, generally with a capital of $1,000,000. That is, he issues 1,000,000 shares of stock at a stated par value of $1 per share. Each certificate represents 1,000 shares. While the nominal value of the stock is $1 per share, it is not really worth anything, for the mine has not yet been developed. In order to get the necessary money to see what is in this mine, if anything, the "boomer" places a fraction less than one-half of the shares upon the market at five or ten cents a share. The purchaser sees that the certificate reads "one dollar per share," and naturally concludes that he has been let in on the ground floor and that as the stock was originally worth $1 per share it will never go below five or ten cents, and must naturally go up. It does go up, but in the wrong direction for the purchaser. They thus borrow the money from the public with which to prospect the mine, and unblushingly admit it by stating that the money is for "development purposes." Legitimate miners do not ask the public to develop mines for them. They risk their own money, and, perhaps, lose it; and if they strike it rich, it is all theirs. But if the speculating boomer should find that the mine is valuable he will resort to one of the many tricks of covering up the rich vein of ore and putting the men to work in another direction. He may fill the mine with water and abandon it, or quietly let some adverse claimant take possession, with himself an equal owner. The half of



WASHING OUT GOLD

this capital stock which has been sold for "development purposes" is not strictly so applied.

The president's, secretary's and superintendent's salaries must come out of that development fund; and, in addition there is office rent, fixtures and the usual more or less pretty typewriter. The distant investor pays for all of these before he can hope for a dividend on his shares—if there is ever a dividend. The company may not expend half of this development fund in developing the mine. True, some work must be done so as to avoid prosecution for obtaining money under false pretenses. But there is no way to get behind their returns for work alleged to have been performed. A few men are set to work for a week, or a month. The numerous and distant shareholders have no means of knowing the amount of work done, or money paid for it. They must accept the statements of the expert secretary, who can upset the theory that figures do not lie. Whenever the superintendent is short on ready money, he visits the mine and "reports." His mileage and per diem must be paid, and that is about all there is in his "report."

After this money has been expended, mainly in salaries, the company now decides to sell the remainder of the stock, which has been held in reserve as "treasury" stock. A statement is issued to the shareholders to the effect that a bonanza is in sight—that the mine is rich in ore to an unknown depth, but that to prospect it further machinery must be had. So they have decided to raise the necessary money by selling the remainder of the stock, and at the same bed-rock quotations. The investors, seeing that they may lose a good thing, renew their orders for more shares, thus "throwing good money after bad," or that which is lost.

The chances are one hundred to one that the mine is not developed any further, and that the money is put into the pockets of the boomers, as in the first instance. But if they should accidentally "strike it rich," the stockholders will be defrauded by some of the aforementioned tricks, or completely frozen out by the leasing of the mine to a "new company." The lease will be antedated, so as to cover the strike, just as the Spaniards are issuing forged deeds to lands in Cuba.

The long-distance purchaser of mining stocks stands very little chance of getting his money back, and still less of receiving profits. Even those who are here on the ground, and have a superficial knowledge of the various tricks in the business, find it very difficult to keep up with these confidence operators.

The foregoing illustrates the manner in which promoters operate a mine. They first ask the public for money to operate upon, and thus have all chances to gain and none to lose, while the public takes all chances of losing and have none whatever of gaining.

The company that is organized with $1,000,000 capital generally has no capital—except worthless stock. Some, with more capital and less assurance, modestly claim only $100,000. But in all of these, it must be recollected by the public, the "capital" is stock and not money. The public must furnish the money for "development purposes," or the stock will ever remain valueless, and it generally so remains anyway.

The word "boom" signifies an empty sound, calling for nothing, and that is what a mining boom is. When a legiti-

COLORADO MINER'S CABIN.

mate prospector has washed out a few flakes of gold in the bed of a stream, he does not rush to Denver, organize a company and sell stock for "development" purposes. He continues work, and for months he may not "pan out" enough to pay for his bacon and hardtack. Finally he "strikes it rich" and becomes a millionaire. Immediately the "boomers" locate "claims" all around the rich mine for a distance of several miles. They do not work, nor invest their own money, but sell stock, realizing thousands of dollars before even a pick has been sunk into the ground. They do not know whether it is mineral land or not, and do not care. They trade upon the fortune of this one rich mine, and as reports continue of its richness their sales increase.

People are deluded into the belief that all mines that are in the vicinity of a rich ore must necessarily be of value. This is one of the strong arguments of the boomer.

The purchaser of a lottery ticket may win a small prize, for those sharks do give something back, not as a sense of justice but for advertising purposes.

The mining shark does not give anything back. The investment is a total loss.

Under the law mining stock is not assessible, and when the purchaser buys outright he cannot be called upon for more money. In California the manipulators levy an assessment when a rich strike is made, and many of the holders let go. But the Colorado boomer is not at a loss for schemes whereby he can freeze out the shareholders should the mine prove to be valuable.

Denver brokers do not sell stocks on margin, as a rule. They sell the shares for cash to eastern customers, and thus get rid of the stock. Buying on margin is "gambling," and they do not want to encourage this vice; nor to let their customers have any chance of winning. This is a detriment to the state.

J. M. SCANLAND

Benefit of High Altitudes.

Going to the mountains for benefit in cases of pulmonary disease is a regular thing among persons thus afflicted. That there is a reason for this many people understand, although they do not know precisely what it is. A number of medical scientists have been working on this question and have discovered that the increase in the red blood corpuscles when one moves from lower to higher altitudes is very marked. As it is known that the absence of red corpuscles causes debility and weakness, so the presence of many of them indicates a higher degree of vitality and better state of health. High, cool air is very beneficial [illegible]

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NORTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	11	1 Ont Day Exp	7 Sul- liv'n Exp	5 Chicago Lmt	13 Local
	Mile	A M	P M	P M	P M
N. Y. Leave		8 30	3 00	6 45	
Franklin St		8 35	3 05	6 50	
W. 42d St.		8 38	3 08	6 53	
Weehawken	4	8 50	3 20	7 05	
Cornwall	6	9 45	4 00	7 55	
Firthcliffe	25	10 19	4 38	8 30	
Orr's Mills	26	10 25	4 45	8 36	
Little Britain	30	10 40	5 00	8 50	
Burnside	36	10 55	5 15	9 05	
Campbell H.	37	10 57	5 17	9 07	
Stony Ford	38	11 02	5 22	9 12	
M'town Main St.	39	11 05	5 25	9 15	
M'town ar	40	11 10	5 30	9 20	
M'town lv	43	11 55	6 00	9 45	
Winterton	47	12 10	6 15	10 00	
Bloomingburgh	51	12 21	6 26	10 11	
Wurtsboro	54	12 30	6 35	10 20	
Summitville	59	12 45	6 50	10 35	
Ellenville ar	63	1 05	7 10	10 55	
Fallsburgh	70	1 30	7 30	11 20	
Hurleyville	73	1 38	7 38	11 28	
Ferndale	77	1 48	7 48	11 38	
Liberty	81	2 00	8 00	11 50	
Parksville	85	2 10	8 10	12 00	
Livingston M'r	89	2 20	8 20	12 10	
Rockland	92	2 30	8 30	12 20	
Cadosia	98	2 50	8 50	12 40	
Walton	103	3 05	9 05	12 55	
Maywood	107	3 14	9 14	1 04	
Sidney	110	3 25	9 25	1 15	
Bainbridge	116	3 40	9 40	1 30	
Afton	122	3 55	9 55	1 45	
Greene	128	4 10	10 10	2 00	
Chenango Forks	132	4 20	10 20	2 10	
Binghamton	136	4 30	10 30	2 20	
Port Dickinson	138	4 35	10 35	2 25	
Castle Creek	142	4 45	10 45	2 35	
Whitney's Point	147	4 55	10 55	2 45	
Willet	152	5 05	11 05	2 55	
Cincinnatus	157	5 15	11 15	3 05	
Cortland	164	5 30	11 30	3 20	
Homer	170	5 45	11 45	3 35	
Cortland Junc.	173	5 55	11 55	3 45	
Preble	178	6 05	12 05	3 55	
Apulia	183	6 15	12 15	4 05	
Jamesville	187	6 25	12 25	4 15	
Dewitt	190	6 30	12 30	4 20	
Syracuse	195	6 40	12 40	4 30	
Geddes	197	6 45	12 45	4 35	
Solvay	199	6 50	12 50	4 40	
Camillus	205	7 00	1 00	4 50	
Warners	210	7 10	1 10	5 00	
Amboy	214	7 20	1 20	5 10	
Central Square	218	7 30	1 30	5 20	
Brewerton	221	7 40	1 40	5 30	
Oneida ar	230	8 00	2 00	5 50	
Oneida lv		8 30	2 30	6 20	
Canastota	234	8 40	2 40	6 30	
Canastota Junc.	236	8 45	2 45	6 35	
Chittenango	240	8 55	2 55	6 45	
Fayetteville	245	9 05	3 05	6 55	
Manlius	249	9 15	3 15	7 05	
Pompey Hill	254	9 25	3 25	7 15	
Manlius Center	256	9 30	3 30	7 20	
Jamesville	259	9 35	3 35	7 25	
Dewitt	264	9 45	3 45	7 35	
Syracuse	269	10 00	4 00	7 50	
Oswego lv		11 20	5 30	9 10	
Oneida ar		12 52	7 00	10 40	
Oneida lv		12 56	7 05	10 45	
Castle		1 58	8 05	11 45	
Norwich ar		2 09	8 15	11 55	
Norwich lv		2 14	8 20	12 00	
Sidney		3 06	9 10	12 50	
Maywood			9 18	12 58	
Walton		3 50	9 55	1 40	
Cadosia		4 21	10 30	2 15	
Rockland			10 40	2 25	
Livingston M'r		5 07	11 00	2 45	
Parksville			11 10	2 55	
Liberty		5 26	11 20	3 05	
Ferndale			11 30	3 15	
Hurleyville			11 40	3 25	
Fallsburgh			11 50	3 35	
Centreville			12 00	3 45	
Mount'n D.			12 10	3 55	
Summitville		6 06	12 20	4 05	
Wurtsboro			12 30	4 15	
Bloom'g'bgh			12 40	4 25	
Winterton			12 45	4 30	
M'town ar		6 33	12 55	4 40	
M'town lv		6 48	1 20	5 05	
Main St.			1 22	5 07	
Stony Ford			1 29	5 14	
Campb'll H.			1 35	5 20	
Burnside			1 38	5 23	
Little Brit'n			1 43	5 28	
Orr's Mills			1 48	5 33	
Firthcliffe			1 54	5 39	
Cornwall			2 00	5 45	
Weehawken		8 45	2 50	6 30	
New York			3 00	6 40	
W. 42d St., N. Y.		8 56	3 10	6 50	
Fifth St	ar	9 15	3 30	7 10	
		P M	P M	P M	P M

SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	6 New York Exp	12 Local	50 Del-bi Ex	14	2 N Y Day Exp	42 Nor. wich Exp	8 Sul-liv'n Exp
	A M	A M	A M		P M	A M	A M
Oswego lv	11 20	8 25			6 45	5 55	
Oneida ar	12 52	9 55			8 15	7 25	
Oneida lv	12 56	10 00			8 45	8 05	
Castle		11 05			9 55	9 15	
Norwich ar	2 09	12 15 P M			11 05	10 25	
Norwich lv	2 14	6 00	5 45	10 57	7 15		
Sidney	3 06	6 52	6 37	11 49	8 07		
Maywood		7 00	6 45	11 57	8 15		
Walton	3 50	7 35	7 20	12 37	8 55		
Cadosia	4 21	8 05	7 50	1 07	9 25		
Rockland		8 15	8 00	1 17	9 35		
Livingston M'r	5 07	8 35	8 20	1 37	9 55		
Parksville		8 45	8 30	1 47	10 05		
Liberty	5 26	8 55	8 40	1 57	10 15		
Ferndale		9 05	8 50	2 07	10 25		
Hurleyville		9 15	9 00	2 17	10 35		
Fallsburgh		9 25	9 10	2 27	10 45		
Centreville		9 40	9 25	2 42	11 00		
Mount'n D.		9 50	9 35	2 52	11 10		
Summitville	6 06	10 00	9 45	3 02	11 20		
Wurtsboro		10 10	9 55	3 12	11 30		
Bloom'g'bgh		10 20	10 05	3 22	11 40		
Winterton		10 25	10 10	3 27	11 45		
M'town ar	6 33	10 40	10 25	3 42	12 00		
M'town lv	6 48	11 00	10 45	4 00	12 20		
Main St.		11 02	10 47	4 02	12 22		
Stony Ford		11 09	10 54	4 09	12 29		
Campb'll H.		11 15	11 00	4 15	12 35		
Burnside		11 18	11 03	4 18	12 38		
Little Brit'n		11 23	11 08	4 23	12 43		
Orr's Mills		11 28	11 13	4 28	12 48		
Firthcliffe		11 34	11 19	4 34	12 54		
Cornwall		11 40	11 25	4 40	1 00		
Weehawken	8 45	11 50	11 35	4 50	1 10		
New York		12 00	11 45	5 00	1 20		
W. 42d St., N. Y.	8 56	12 10	11 55	5 10	1 30		
Fifth St	ar 9 15	11 30	12 15	5 30	1 50		
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* Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.
f Signifies that trains will stop on signal for passengers.
n Signifies that trains will stop for or to leave New York passengers only.
Stop for meals.
Trains leave Cadosia 8 10 a. m., 2 05 p. m. Sunday only 4 30 p. m for Scranton, Carbondale and intermediate stations.
Trains leave Scranton 10 55 a. m., 4 15 p. m. Sunday only 8 30 a. m. for Cadosia.
Trains leave Summitville for Ellenville 9 40, 11 30 a. m., and 3 50, 6 50 p. m.
Trains leave Ellenville for Summitville 7 00 10 50 a. m., and 3.10 and 5 40 p. m.
Trains leave Delhi for Walton 7 20 and *11 00 a. m, and 4 45 p. m. Except Saturday 1 30 p. m Sunday only 3 10 p m
Trains leave Walton for Delhi 8 10 a. m., 2 45 and 8 35 p m Sunday only 9 15 a. m., and 2 15 p m. Except Saturday 12 37 p. m
Additional trains leave Livingston Manor at 1 35 p. m., stopping at all stations to Walton, arriving at 6 20 p. m. Leave Walton at 12 45 p. m. arrive at Norwich 5 30 p. m.
Leave Walton 7 00 a m, stopping at all stations to Livingston Manor, arriving at 12 25 p m. Leave Norwich 6 55 a m, all stations to Walton, arriving at 11 15 a m
Trains leave Sidney for New Berlin 10.00 a m., *3 45 and 7 10 p. m. Leave New Berlin for Sidney 7 40 and *10.05 a. m., and 2 10 p m
For further particulars see local card.
Passenger Rates Reduced to Two Cents Per Mile.
Lowest rates of fare to all points west. One to three dollars less than other lines
Express Trains Nos 5 and 6 run solid between New York and Suspension Bridge. Reclining Chair Car from New York to Chicago without change free to through passengers, and Wagner Buffet Sleeping Car without change from New York to Chicago.
No. 5 arrives at Chicago 9 30 p. m.
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Secure rates via Ontario & Western before purchasing tickets and save money.
J. C. Anderson, General Passenger Agent.
W. M. Tiel, Traveling Agent, Middletown, N. Y

N. Y., N. & W. R. R.

In effect Nov. 28th, '97.

NORTH	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun p m	Sun p m
New York Ferries			
West 23d St	8 10		3 50
Cortlandt and Desbrosses St	8 30		4 10
Jersey City	8 46		4 25
Hackensack	9 14		4 50
Paterson (Broadway)	9 25		5 02
Paterson	9 29		5 04
Two Bridges	10 55	2 50	6 30
Ogdensburg	11 07	3 06	6 40
Franklin	11 12	3 15	6 46
Hamburg	11 20	3 25	6 54
Deckertown	11 28	3 40	7 08
Quarryville	11 36	3 52	7 10
Unionville	11 44	4 04	7 18
Westtown	11 49	4 15	7 24
Johnson	11 55	4 27	7 39
Slate Hill	12 09	4 37	7 34
Middletown	12 12	4 50	7 45

SOUTH.	Daily ex Sun a m	Sun a m	Daily p m
Middletown	6 30	7 12	5 04
Slate Hill	6 42	7 27	5 15
Johnson	6 48	7 35	5 21
Westtown	6 58	7 48	5 27
Unionville	6 58	7 55	5 34
Quarryville	7 06	8 07	5 43
Deckertown	7 14	8 30	5 51
Hamburg	7 22	8 46	6 09
Franklin Junction	17 27		
Franklin	7 29	8 56	6 07
Ogdensburg	7 34	9 06	6 12
Two Bridges	7 51	9 27	6 28
Paterson City	9 03		7 45
Paterson (Broadway)	9 06	10 36	7 48
Hackensack	9 16	10 47	8 01
Jersey City	9 38	11 12	8 27
New York Ferries—			
Cortlandt and Desbrosses St.	9 53	11 28	8 28
West 23d street	10 15	11 46	9 30

f—Stop on signal.

First National Bank.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Dec. 10th, 1898.

The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking rooms, at the bank, on Tuesday January 10th, 1899, from 9 a. m. to 10 a. m.

30-a10 SEYMOUR DEWITT, Cashier.

JACOB GUNTHER.

Fine Wines, Liquors and Cigars

[illegible] Hall and Peterson's. Masonic Hall.

ERIE RAILROAD

Solid trains between New York and Chicago, via Chautauqua Lake or Niagara Falls. Pullman cars between New York and Rochester, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Toronto, Chautauqua Lake, Cleveland, Cincinnati and Chicago. Through tickets, baggage checks and detailed information may be obtained from the local ticket agents of the company.

TIME TABLE ADOPTED DEC. 11, '98.

Eastern Time.	Spec. N. Y. & Chi. 617	N. Y. & Chi. Lmt. 625	N. Y. & Chi. Lmt. 601	8	7	29	25	15	26	10	12	22	14	Spec. 606	N. Y. & Chi. Lmt. 626	Sun 18
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Arrive CHICAGO																
Lv. Cent. Time, Ar.																

*Daily. ‡Sundays only. †Except Sunday. b. Stops for passengers to Binghamton and beyond.

Middletown & Crawford Branch Sunday leave Main St., 11 10 a. m.; leave Main St., Middletown, for Pine Bush at 11.40 a m daily, except Sunday; 6.55 p. m. daily

Montgomery Branch—Leave Goshen for Montgomery at 7.27 a. m., daily except Sunday; 11 20 a m daily, except Sunday; 4.54 p. m., daily except Sunday and holidays, 6.31 p. m., holidays only.

Pine Island Branch—Leave Goshen for Pine Island at 11 20 a. m. and 6.35 p. m. daily except Sunday.

Newburgh via Turners—Leave Turners for Newburgh at 7.35 a m., daily except Sunday and holidays; 10.50 a. m., daily, except Sunday only; 9.00 p m. daily; 10.25 p. m., Sundays. Trains 30 and 2 connects for Newburgh via Arden, instead of Turners.

Newburgh, via Greycourt—Leave Greycourt at 7.45 a. m., daily except Sundays and holidays; 11 10 a. m., daily, except Sunday; 1.28 p. m. daily, except Sundays and holidays; 6.20 p. m., daily except Sunday; 5.37 p. m., Sundays only.

Trains Nos. 6, 11, 15, 16, 21, 22, 25, 26, 29, 30, 38 and Sunday Special 601, 606, 625 stop at Main street, Middletown.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac. the wonder worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co. Chicago or New York.

ONTARIOS' ANNUAL BALL

One of the Most Successful Events in the Company's Social History.

Ontario Hose Company's tenth annual ball and reception, at the Assembly Rooms, Thursday night, was a big success. The crowd was one of the largest of the season, and as the event was properly and successfully managed by the committees in charge, all had a royal good time. McWilliams' orchestra furnished the music. The committees were:

Committee of Arrangements—Adam Heckroth, F. W. Pease, T. F. Walsh, G. H. Clark, T. J. Cobalan, Henry Funnell, Milo Hopkins, F. L. Bowers.

Floor Committee—M. J. Doran, T. F. Walsh, F. W. Pease, Walter Funnell, M. J. Kerrigan.

Reception Committee—George M. Curran, J. J. Curran, J. D. Arthur, Evi Adams, Chas. Schupp, Wm. Fullerton.

Refreshments were served at Totten's. All members of Company I were admitted free.

Strange Friendship Between a Hog and a Rat.

A Beach woods, Sullivan county, farmer, on going to his hog pen, one cold morning not long ago, was surprised to find a big rat sitting on the back of one of the hogs. Apparently it had found the ground too cold for its feet and the hog's back so much warmer that it had taken up its quarters there. The hog was evidently satisfied with the arrangement and the farmer did not interfere, and ever since the rat has spent most of its time perched on the hog's back.

All Sick With the Grip.

From the Warwick Advertiser.

A gentleman from near Florida reports that a farmer near Durlandville had mechanics engaged building a log house, and last week when they came on to work they found the farmer and his family all ill with the grip and unable to attend to the barn work, while two hired men and their families, in tenant houses, were as badly off. The carpenters milked the cows and fed the stock, sending off the milk, etc., for some days, until the men at the farm recovered.

Fishkill's Water Supply.

From the Newburgh Register.

Fishkill is undecided what to do concerning a water supply. Some desire to purchase the old plant, others to build an entirely new one. The old outfit with mains perforated by electrolysis can be purchased for $112,000, and it will cost $83,000 to put it in good condition. A new plant, with double the storage capacity, can be had for $225,000, the greater part of it to go out in labor for the unemployed villagers.

Fire on the Ulster County Poor House Farm

From the New Paltz Times.

Last Monday night, one of the old buildings known as the crazy house, on the poor house farm, about three miles from New Paltz, was destroyed by fire. The building was filled with hay. The hennery, containing one hundred fowls, was also burned, together with the fowls.

First New York's Cheap Trip Across the Continent.

From the Newburgh Register.

The trip across the continent of the first New York Volunteers was the cheapest traveling ever done in this country. It cost $11.80 each to bring privates, and $12.50 for each officer, if they traveled in sleeping coaches, first class, from San Francisco to destination.

Theft of Pike County Fox Trappers.

From the Port Jervis Union.

The shooting of a fox with clipped ears last week in Pike county, Pa., leads to the suspicion that the natives over there catch foxes, cut off their ears and get the bounty paid by the county and turn them loose to breed.

A Bible With a History.

It is stated that Rev. G. W. Doane, of Delmar, Tioga county, has a Bible that has something of a history. Some 300 years ago, when the bibles were being destroyed in England, this one was placed inside a loaf of bread to conceal it and prevent it from being burned.

Where Grip Is Getting in Its Work.

Grip has been very prevalent in Slate Hill and, a day or two ago, seven of the men of the village were reported as sick with the disease.

Recent Deaths of Civil War Veterans.

Two well known members of the Tenth Legion, 56th N. Y. Vols., have died recently. Blake Divine, of Co. F, at Hurleyville, and D. H. Teller, of Co. I, at Neversink

Bank Dividends.

—The First National Bank of Warwick has declared its regular semi-annual dividend of five per cent., beside carrying a neat amount to the surplus fund.

—The Quassaick National Bank of Newburgh has declared a semi-annual dividend of 3½ per cent., free of tax, payable Jan. 3d.

The Modern Mother

Has found that her little ones are improved more by the pleasant Syrup of Figs, when in need of the laxative effect of a gentle remedy, than by any other. Children enjoy it and it benefits them. The true remedy, Syrup of Figs, is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

To Cure Constipation Forever

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

It Hangs On

We are talking about your cough. One cold no sooner passes off before another comes. But it's the same old cough all the time. And it's the same old story, too. There is first the cold, then the cough, then pneumonia or consumption, with the long sickness and life trembling in the balance.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

loosens the grasp of your cough. The congestion of the throat and lungs is removed; all inflammation is subdued; the parts are put perfectly at rest, and the cough drops away. It has no diseased tissues on which to hang. $1.00 a bottle. At all druggists. Put one of

Dr. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral Plasters

on your chest. It will draw out inflammation and soreness from your lungs. Price, 25c.

J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

A Domestic's Good Fortune.

From the Milford Dispatch.

Mrs. Ada Atkinson, formerly of Binghamton, N. Y., who is now employed in the home of Hon. W. H. Armstrong on Broad street, this village, has fallen heir to $12,000. The amount was bequeathed to her by a rich uncle who died recently in Wales.

SUMMITVILLE.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The M. E. Sunday School's Christmas entertainment was a decided success. An interesting programme had been arranged, and the people who took part acquitted themselves most creditably. Many gifts were distributed.

For Many Years

"I have suffered untold agony from rheumatism, which has afflicted me for many years. Since using six bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla I find myself entirely cured of that painful disease. I am not able to praise this great medicine enough. It has no equal." MRS. E. A. ALVERSON, Pleasant Valley, N. Y.

Hood's Pills are the only pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla. 25c.

A Sensible Man

Would use Kemp's Balsam for the throat and lungs. It is curing more cases of coughs, colds, asthma, bronchitis, croup and all throat and lung troubles, than any other medicine. The proprietor has authorized any druggist to give you a sample bottle free to convince you of the merit of this great remedy. Price 25c. and 50c.

"Itching hemorrhoids were the plague of my life. Was almost wild. Doan's Ointment cured me quickly and permanently, after doctors had failed." C. F. Cornwell, Valley street, Saugerties, N. Y.

The words of praise bestowed upon Hood's Sarsaparilla by those who have taken it prove the merit of the medicine.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin

New York, Dec. 30, '98.

	Yesterday Close	To-day Close
Sugar	125⅝	126⅛
Tobacco	142	143
Chicago Gas	109⅜	110
Nat. Lead	38¼	38⅝
General Electric	95⅝	96
U. S. L., pref.	72½	72¾
Tenn. Coal and Iron	36¾	36¾
A. T. & S. F.	18⅞	18⅝
C. B. & Q.	124¾	125
C. M. & St. P.	119¾	120⅛
R. I.	114⅝	114⅝
D. L. & W.		
C. of N. J.	97½	97½
Erie	14⅝	14⅝
D. and H.	107½	107⅜
O. & W.	18¼	18⅞
Susquehanna & Western		
Susquehanna & West., pref.		
P. & R.	21¼	23⅛
N. W.	141½	142½
L. S.		
N. Y. C.	123½	*123¾
M. P.	45	45½
Texas	19¼	19¼
C. P.	42⅝	43⅝
W. Union	92½	93¼
L. & N.	64⅝	64¾
Manhattan	97⅝	97¾
P. M.	45¼	45⅝
Wabash, pref.	22⅝	22⅞
No. Pacific, pref.	77¼	77¾
Metropolitan Traction	191¾	191¾
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	77¼	77½
Southern, pref.	43¼	42

CHICAGO MARKET

May Wheat	71¼	71⅝
May Corn	38⅛	38⅝
May Oats	28	28¼
May Pork	$10 52	$10 57
May Lard	5 77	5 82

*Ex. Div. 1¼ per cent

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

Has saved many a life! Speedily cures Croup and Whooping-cough. It is safe and sure. Mothers can always rely on it. Children like it. Doses are small. Price 25 cents.

Our Specials Every Day.

Imperial, Jewell and Washburn's flours $4 30 per barrel in half-barrel sacks; ½ barrel $2 15; ¼ barrel $1.10; ⅛ barrel 55c. Good butter 14 and 22c per pound, fine lemons 10 and 15c per dozen, Lenox soap, 7 cakes 25c, $3 40 per box, German laundry soap, 7 cakes 25c, $3 25 per box, pure maple sugar 12c per pound, Liebig's extract beef 25c per jar, Brazil nuts 10c per pound, pecans 10c, filberts 12c, English walnuts 12c, soft shelled almonds 20c, peanuts 3c per qt., 4c per dry quart, farmers' pork 6c per pound, dried black cherries 15c per pound, red 18c, genuine photo salmon 14 and 15c

W. H. FOSTER, 30 East Main St

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for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

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WILL Exchange city residences for small farm near Middletown. Address EXCHANGE, Box 211, Middletown.

WILL Mr. John Moore call at this office and oblige a friend. 40d3t

RAFFLE—Roast pig and chicken, to-night, at J. D. Lee's barn, Cottage street. 1t FRANK EICHORN.

COAL! FORTY carloads sold in thirty days. Low prices still continue at VANFLEET'S.

ROOMS to Let on James street. Enquire of W. A. VAIL, Paper Box Factory, 46 Mill street. 70dtf

The Manhattan Market,

NO. 148 NORTH STREET.

Fresh killed Chickens	12c per lb.
Ducks	14c "
Geese	12c "
Turkeys	15c "
Pork	3 lbs. 25c
Pork Roasts	9c and 10c "
Fresh Salt Pork	8c "
Our Own Sausage	10c "
Shoulders of Lamb	7c "
Oysters	

G. A. BEHME, H. ERMSHAR, Proprietors. 18dlyDec2'99

To Be Healthy Use HEALTH FOODS.

Mazama, three minute Griddle Cakes Pealed Wheat Flour, Wheatina, White Granular Corn and Ralston's Health Food.

DEWEY & MUNDY Sole Agents,

Telephone 39. 40 North St

100 Tubs Fine DAIRY BUTTER!

SLOAT'S CASH STORE

5c. Pound Granulated Sugar.

CASH ONLY.

C. N. PREDMORE & SON.

Hudson River Telephone No. 5. Orange County Telephone No. 92.

FOR NEW YEAR TABLE!

Nice Ripe Tomatoes, Boston Head Lettuce, splendid Golden Celery, snow white Cauliflower, Radishes, Cucumbers, Pineapples, Malaga Grapes, Florida Oranges, Jordan Shelled Almonds, Edam and Pineapple Cheese, Neufchatal Cheese Philadelphia Cream Cheese, Fancy Table Raisins, Choice Print Butter, etc

CITY GROCERS.

Bull & Youngblood,

56 North St., Opp. Postoffice.

TELEPHONE CALL 55.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS.

OFFICE OF

School Commissioner, Second District, Orange County.

WILLIAM P. KAUFMANN, School Commissioner. Port Jervis, N. Y.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Examinations will be open promptly at 9 a. m. and will close at 12 30 p. m. and will also open at 1:30 p. m. and will close at 5 p. m. Examinations will not be continued between 12:30 p. m. and 1:30 p. m.

No candidate shall enter an examination more than one hour after such examination has convened, and no candidate shall leave the room within one hour after the question papers have been distributed in such examination.

Communications of any character shall not be permitted among candidates taking the examination.

Candidates must not take books, notes or papers to the seats occupied by them in examination.

Conclusion whose papers are rejected for collusion will be debarred from entering future examinations until permission is granted by the Superintendent.

Dates and Places of Examinations for '99.

FIRST GRADE

Port Jervis High School—Jan. 12, 13
Middletown, Benton Avenue School—Aug. 10, 11.

TRAINING GRADE.

Port Jervis High School—Jan. 18, 19, 20
Port Jervis High School—June 14, 15, 16.

SECOND AND THIRD GRADE

Port Jervis High School—Jan. 12, 13.
Goshen High School—April 13, 14
Middletown, Benton Avenue School—Aug. 12, 13
Warwick High School—Nov. 9, 10

KINDERGARTEN.

Port Jervis High School—Jan. 18, 19.
Port Jervis High School—June 14, 15

☞Candidates for Normal entrance will write on the regular Second Grade questions in the subjects required for a Normal entrance

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HOBBY Horses 48c and up. Toys of all kinds. An endless variety at DAYTON'S.

FOR SALE—Handsome new cottage on Albert street, nine rooms, hot air, all modern improvements. 891dtf BULL & YOUNGBLOOD.

I WILL Exchange "Locksley Hall" with the farm of ten acres all lying in the city limits, for a house and lot centrally located, or will trade it for good rentable property. Rare opportunity to quick dealer. 2 dtf HORACE W COREY.

FINE Assortment of oil dressed Chamois Skin, for lung shields, vests, etc. Can be washed and will dry soft, 10c to $1 at JOHN J. CHAMBERS', Druggist, 57 North St., near postoffice.

JOS. VUOLO, 91 Fulton street. Full line of fine shoes. New line of Overshoes of all kinds. Men's and boys' arctics and felt boots for winter. Repairing neatly done while you wait at very reasonable prices. NO. 91 FULTON STREET.

COTTAGE of six rooms to rent, $6. Inquire at this office. 33d3t

TO LET—Five rooms, bath and closet, down stairs, $10; 6 rooms, bath and closet, up stairs, $9, 5 rooms, $6; 3 rooms, with water, $4. Enquire of C. HERFORD CLARK, 109-113 North street. 33d9t

ROOMS TO LET—Six rooms, modern improvements. Enquire 31 Myrtle avenue

LARGEST Assortment of juvenile books in the city at DAYTON'S.

EMULSION Cod Liver Oil, the great flesh and strength giver. Large size 75c at CHAMBERS' Pharmacy, 57 North St., near postoffice.

HANDKERCHIEFS were never more in demand than just now during the prevalence of grip. CROSBY is prepared to supply the public at right prices. 19 West Main St.

CROSBY will sell all holiday goods this week at cost. He offers bargains in underwear and hosiery. Several show cases for sale very cheap. Mrs. C. P. Clark's old stand.

FOUND—A brindle and white bull dog pup. Owner can have it by calling at this office.

WANTED—Case of bad health that R-I-P-A-N-S will not benefit. Send 5 cents to Ripans Chemical Co., New York, for 10 samples and 1,000 testimonials. 99dlyJly14'99

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Hotels and barbers ought to take advantage of the great offering sale as well as housekeepers.

25 dozen Union Linen Towels, sizes 13x25, 7c each or 75c dozen.

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